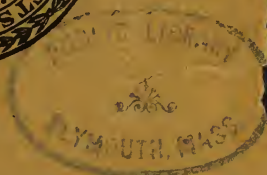


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OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR

1904



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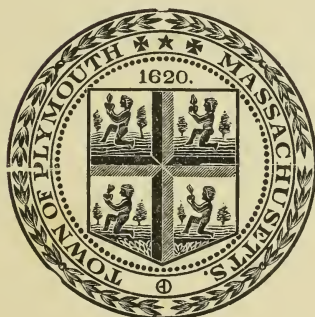
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TOWN OFFICERS

Selectmen—Horace M. Saunders, Dexter H. Craig, Nathaniel G. Lanman, Ira C. Ward, George W. Bradford.

Town Clerk—Edward L. Burgess.

Town Treasurer—Edward L. Burgess.

Auditor—Frank D. Bartlett.

Collector of Taxes—Herbert W. Bartlett.

Clerk of Selectmen—Herbert W. Bartlett.

Assessors—John C. Cave, chosen 1903, for two years; George Harlow, chosen 1903, for three years; James C. Bates, chosen 1904, for three years.

Overseers of the Poor—Charles P. Hatch, chosen 1902, for three years; Herbert W. Bartlett, chosen 1904, for two years; Charles A. Strong, chosen 1904, for three years.

Water Commissioners—Everett F. Sherman and John W. Churchill, chosen 1903, for three years; Horace P. Bailey and Charles T. Holmes, chosen 1902, for three years; John H. Damon, chosen 1904, for three years.

School Committee—William S. Kyle and J. Holbrook Shaw, chosen 1903, for three years; Elizabeth Thurber and Arthur E. Lewis, chosen 1902, for three years; Frank H. Perkins and Increase Robinson, chosen 1904, for three years.

Burial Hill Committee—Selectmen.

Agawam Fishery Committee—Frank Harlow, Alfred Holmes, Herbert S. Maxwell.

Park Commissioners—Thomas R. Watson, chosen 1904, for three years, George R. Briggs, chosen 1903, for three years; Walter H. Sears, chosen 1902, for three years.

Surveyors and Measurers of Lumber—Leavitt T. Robins, Edward B. Atwood, Cornelius C. Holmes.

Scaler of Weights and Measures—Arthur A. Sampson.

Beach Committee—Selectmen.

Superintendent of Streets—Stillman R. Sampson.

Field Drivers and Fence Viewers—Hosea C. Bartlett, Wallace Nightingale, Charles H. Raymond, Jacob H. Morse.

Superintendent of Water Works—Arthur E. Blackmer.

Collector of Water Rates—N. Reeves Jackson.

Pound Keeper—Hosea C. Bartlett.

Committee on Inland Fisheries—Edgar D. Hill, Lewis W. Edson, Walter D. Shurtleff.

Harbor Master—Ellis Whiting Harlow.

Board of Registration—C. H. Sherman, appointed in place of C. H. Holmes, appointed in 1904, for three years; William D. Carleton, appointed 1902, for three years; Frederick D. Bartlett, appointed 1904, for three years; Edward L. Burgess.

Superintendent of Oak Grove and Vine Hills Cemeteries, and Burial Hill—Edward F. Stranger.

Sexton—Winslow S. Holmes.

Superintendent of Almshouse—Obed C. Pratt.

Board of Health—John F. Callanan, chosen 1903, for three years; H. L. Molter, appointed in place of Joseph W. Hunting, chosen 1902, for three years; Percy Lothrop, chosen 1904, for three years.

Board of Engineers—George E. Saunders, Isaac L. Hedge, Ephraim D. Bartlett, John E. Sullivan and James S. Kierstead.

Superintendent of Chiltonville Cemetery—Chas. Rogers.

Superintendent of Manomet Cemetery—George A. Manter.

Superintendent of Cedarville Cemetery—Charles E. Kimball.

Constables—Michael Casey, Samuel Ferguson, Benjamin F. Goddard, Edward Manter, Freeman Manter, Augustine J. Hogan, John M. Atwood and William H. Geodecke.

Chief of Police—Benjamin F. Goddard.

Committee on Sewerage—Selectmen.

Tree Warden—George R. Briggs.

Forester—George R. Briggs.

List of Deputy Forest Fire Wards, 1904—Henry O. Whiting, Assistant Forester; Samuel Bradford, (resigned during the year), Nehemiah L. Savery, Nathaniel T. Clark, Elkanah Finney, Gustavus G. Sampson, Frank L. St. George, LeBaron R. Barker, James M. Dowsett, D. Edson Raymond, Albert M. Haskell, George H. Blanchard, Andrew J. Cahoon, Henry L. Cahoon, Wm. F. Doten, Zenas E. Langford, Ziba R. Ellis, John T. Pierce, William C. Col-lingwood, Stillman R. Sampson, Ernest L. Sampson, Benjamin F. Raymond, John H. Marshall.

ABSTRACT OF RECORDS OF 1904

APRIL 2.

Voted, That the names of William H. Barrows, James E. Bartlett, Herbert F. Besse, Maltiah B. Blackmer, George Churchill, Charles M. Doten, Nathan W. Douglass, John A. Harris, William R. Hedge, Charles L. Johnson, George Mabbett, John F. Moore, Henry Reidel, Albert S. Rich, Henry W. Royal, John Russell, Ossian M. Sampson, Adoniram J. Smith, Richmond Talbot, Henry C. Thomas, Lyman F. Tripp and Alexander Wasson be stricken from the list of jurors, and the names of Lewis F. Smith, Alexander K. McLean and Franklin M. Holmes be added.

Voted, That the Town authorize the Treasurer under the direction of the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes, and for disbursement under the provisions of the law relating to State Aid and Military Aid, and to defray the expenses of the Town after January 1, 1905.

On motion of Horace M. Saunders. *Voted*, That the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150.00) be appropriated to pay the expense of Memorial Day.

On motion of William Hedge. *Voted*, That the dog fund amounting to twelve hundred twenty-three dollars and forty-

seven cents (\$1,223.47), and the additional sum of two hundred seventy-six dollars and fifty-three cents (\$276.53) be appropriated for the use of the Public Library.

On motion of Horace M. Saunders, *Voted*, That the town authorize the Selectmen to renew any note or notes heretofore authorized, which are now due, or may become due the present year, for such time and on such terms as they may deem expedient for the interests of the town.

On motion of George R. Briggs, *Voted*, That the sum of seven hundred and fifty dollars be appropriated for the care and improvement of the various public parks, fifty-two voted in the affirmative, and none in the negative, the necessary two-thirds having voted in the affirmative, the motion was carried.

Voted, That the Water Commissioners be instructed to consult with the State Board of Health, and establish and enforce such rules and regulations, to be observed by the occupants of houses and estates on the borders of Boot, South, Little South and Lout ponds, as shall prevent the contamination of the water supply of the town.

On motion of Horace M. Saunders, *Voted*, That a committee of three be appointed by the Moderator, with full power to locate and erect a fountain or fountains in accordance with the bequest of the late Lucy J. Parker.

On motion of Horace M. Saunders, *Voted*, That the Selectmen be authorized to employ counsel and incur expense to oppose the petition of F. H. Keith and others for the removal of the Registry of Deeds and Probate from Plymouth, and to favor the petition of the County Commissioners

for a new building for a registry of deeds and probate at Plymouth.

Horace M. Saunders moved that a committee of five be appointed by the Moderator to consider the question of better Town House accommodations, and that they be instructed to investigate at once and report to the next town meeting. Edward B. Atwood moved that the matter be left to the committee of fifteen; fifty-three voted in the affirmative, and twenty-seven in the negative, and the motion was carried.

On motion of Arthur Lord, *Voted*, That the School Committee be authorized to construct a four-room addition to the Knapp school house at an expense not to exceed eleven thousand five hundred dollars (\$11,500.00).

On motion of Arthur Lord, *Voted*, That the School Committee be authorized to purchase a right of way from the Knapp school lot to Hamilton street, at a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars (\$500.00).

On motion of Arthur Lord, *Voted*, That the School Committee be authorized to build a four room addition to the Cornish school, and furnish the same at an expense not exceeding thirteen thousand five hundred dollars (\$13,500).

On motion of Arthur Lord, *Voted*, That the School Committee be authorized to purchase the lot adjoining the Russell street school lot at an expense not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500.00).

William S. Kyle moved that the School Committee be authorized to expend a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars (\$1,000) in addition to the amount authorized for the

additions to the Knapp and Cornish school buildings, and to expend such part as is not needed for building, for furnishing, and the motion was carried.

On motion of Arthur Lord, *Voted*, That the Selectmen are hereby authorized to borrow the sum of twenty-eight thousand dollars (\$28,000) and to issue therefor the notes of the Town, each for the sum of fourteen hundred dollars (\$1400) bearing interest at a rate not exceeding four per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually and payable one at the end of each successive year from the date of issue until the whole are paid. The said notes to be signed by the Treasurer and approved by a majority of the Selectmen of the town. Seventy-seven voted in the affirmative and none in the negative and the necessary two thirds having voted in the affirmative the motion was carried.

On motion of Horace M. Saunders, *Voted*, That the Selectmen be authorized to macadamize Sandwich and Market streets from Jabez Corner to Town Square and that the Water Commissioners be instructed to make all necessary changes in the water pipes before the work is commenced.

On motion of Horace M. Saunders, *Voted*, That the Selectmen be authorized to borrow the sum of eight thousand dollars (\$8,000) and to issue therefor the notes of the Town each for the sum of eight hundred dollars (\$800) bearing interest at a rate not exceeding four per cent. per annum payable semi-annually, and payable one at the end of each successive year from the date of issue until the whole are paid. The said notes to be signed by the Treasurer and approved by a majority of the Selectmen of

the Town. Eighty three voted in the affirmative and none in the negative, and the necessary two thirds having voted in the affirmative the motion was carried.

On motion of John W. Churchill, *Voted*, That the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) be appropriated for the extension of water pipes. On motion of Edward B. Atwood, *Voted*, That the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars (\$2500) be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of laying a six-inch water pipe from Sandwich street down Fremont street along Union street through Water street to Sandwich street and make the necessary connections and hydrants.

On motion of Horace M. Saunders, *Voted*, That the sum of eight hundred dollars (\$800) be appropriated for fences at Oak Grove and Vine Hills Cemeteries.

On motion of E. D. Bartlett, *Voted*, That the sum of six hundred dollars (\$600) be appropriated for new fire alarm boxes. On motion of E. D. Bartlett, *Voted*, That the sum of twelve hundred dollars (\$1,200) be appropriated for new hose. On motion of E. D. Bartlett, *Voted*, That the sum of five hundred dollars \$(500) be appropriated for repairs to engine houses.

Charles I. Litchfield moved, That the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200) be appropriated to deepen the bed of Eel River from the vicinity of the lower bridge, at the head of the beach, to the mouth of the river at the harbor, and remove all obstructions therein, which retard the free flow of the water, to be expended under the direction of the Beach Committee, and the motion was carried.

On motion of Horace M. Saunders, *Voted*, That the Town accept and allow the layout of Forest Avenue from Court street, to Spooner street, as laid out by the Selectmen and reported to the Town. On motion of Horace M. Saunders, *Voted*, That the Selectmen be and are hereby authorized to enter into agreements with the State Highway Commission from time to time, to pay part of the expense, not exceeding one half toward building State Highways in the Town.

On motion of Charles I. Litchfield, *Voted*, That the Committee on the Beach be authorized to expend a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars in such repairs of the break-water built by them as may become necessary the same to be charged to the contingent account.

On motion of James B. Collingwood, *Voted*, That a committee of three be appointed to appear before the legislature in support of the petition of the Selectmen of Plymouth for the passage of the act to allow the Town of Plymouth to subscribe for stock in the Plymouth, Carver and Wareham Street Railway to an amount not exceeding fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000).

OCTOBER 4.

On motion of Horace M. Saunders, *Voted*, That the Treasurer be instructed to transfer all credits of the North Town Sewer to the regular sewer account.

On motion of Horace M. Saunders, *Voted*, That the Se-

lectmen be authorized under Chapter 345 Acts of 1901, in behalf of the Town to indemnify the State against all claims for damages which may be sustained by the taking of property or changing of grades in the construction of State Highways.

On motion of Alton D. Edes, *Voted*, That the Water Commissioners be and are hereby instructed to lay a six inch water pipe from Court street, down Lothrop street, to the corner of Water street, at a cost not to exceed sixteen hundred and fifty dollars, (\$1650).

On motion of Alton D. Edes, *Voted*, That the Selectmen be authorized to issue a note of the Town for an amount not exceeding (\$1650) payable in one year, with interest semi-annually at a rate not exceeding four per cent. per annum, for the purpose of raising money to lay the water pipe on Lothrop street. Seventy seven voted in the affirmative and none in the negative and the necessary two thirds voting in the affirmative the motion was carried.

James B. Collingwood moved that the town subscribe for one hundred and fifty shares of the capital stock of the Plymouth, Carver and Wareham Street R. R. Co., of the par value of one hundred dollars each, and that a committee of three to be appointed by the Moderator be the agents of the town to make said subscription, in the name and on behalf of the Town, and said committee are hereby instructed not to make said subscription until they are reasonably satisfied that arrangements have been made by said company to insure the construction of said railroad. Arthur Lord moved to indefinitely postpone and the motion was lost.

The motion of James B. Collingwood was then put and carried.

On motion of Mr. Bagen, *Voted*, To take up article two. Mr. Bagen moved to reconsider the vote under article two and the motion was lost.

On motion of Arthur Lord, *Voted*, That article nine be referred to the Selectmen to report at the next town meeting as to cost and advisability.

On motion of Arthur Lord, *Voted*, That article ten be referred to the Selectmen to report at the next town meeting as to cost and advisability.

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN.

The Selectmen respectfully submit the following report for the year ending Dec. 31, 1904:

TOWN DEBT AND INTEREST.

On Dec. 31, 1903 the funded debt was \$244,182 90

The debt has been increased during the year by the new school house loan of \$28,000 00

At four per cent., dated July 1, 1904.

Macadamizing loan of 8,000 00

At three and three-quarters per cent., dated Oct. 1, 1904.

Water loan of 1,440 00
at four per cent., dated, Dec. 24, 1904.

\$37,440 00

\$281,622 90

There has been paid on funded loans:

Water loan, \$8,306 66

New schoolhouse loan, 2,341 49

Macadamizing loan, 2,340 00

Sewer loan, 2,350 00

New roads loan, 900 00

Stone crusher loan, 500 00

State highway loan, 411 76

Real estate loan, 400 00

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| South street engine house loan, | 1,050 00 | |
| High school house, | 350 00 | |
| Plymouth, Carver and Wareham | | |
| Street Railway Co. loan, | 1,500 00 | |
| Stable loan, | 500 00 | |
| School loan, | 600 00 | |
| Plymouth Beach loan, | 1,510 23 | |
| | <hr/> | \$23,060 14 |
| Funded indebtedness, Dec. 31, 1904, | | \$258,562 76 |
| A net increase for the year of | | \$14,379 86 |
| There is a temporary loan of | | \$5,000 00 |

We recommend an appropriation of \$20,000 for town debt and interest the coming year; also \$42.40 to cover the deficiency.

| | Valuation. | Appropriations. | Tax Rate. |
|-------|----------------|-----------------|-----------|
| 1904. | \$9,300,000 00 | \$119,971 30 | \$14 40 |

An increase in valuation from last year of \$145,376, and a decrease in tax rate of 40 cents per thousand.

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Under this heading we will first call your attention to those localities where the greatest improvements have been made. Cherry street has been graded and graveled, and 1,088 yards of gutters paved at an expense of \$990.00.

Standish Avenue has been improved by the building of 714 yards of paved gutters.

About \$500 has been expended on the South Pond road by cutting and resurfacing the hill, thereby greatly reducing the grade. The outlying districts have also received attention.

The large hill near the Cedarville line has been cut and graveled at an expense of about \$400.

The hills near West Pond have been cut and loamed; also the Mast Road straightened, graded and graveled.

All the other roads have been kept in proper repair.

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| The undrawn balance, Jan. 1, 1904, was | \$492 31 |
| Appropriation, | 16,000 00 |
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| The following amount is charged, | \$16,492 31 |
| to this account, | \$24,302 24 |
| Reimbursements, | 4,421 91 |
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| | \$19,880 33 |
| Overdraft, | <hr/> |
| | \$3,388 02 |

The expenditures have been as follows:

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| Akron pipe and cement, | \$249 23 | |
| Fencing, | 111 85 | |
| Stone and lumber for bridges, | 806 21 | |
| Blacksmiths, | 259 69 | |
| Wheelwrights, | 78 50 | |
| Painting wagons, | 125 67 | |
| Cart, blankets and harness repairing, | 129 18 | |
| Hardware and tools, | 317 70 | |
| Hay and grain, | 1,406 17 | |
| Horses, | 750 00 | |
| Veterinary, | 55 00 | |
| Sundry small items, | 46 73 | |
| Labor, | 15,544 40 | |
| | <hr/> | \$19,880 33 |

An appropriation of \$20,000 for Roads and Bridges the coming year, also \$3,388.02 to meet the deficiency, will be necessary, and are therefore recommended.

SANDWICH STREET.

On April 2, 1904, the Town voted to macadamize Sandwich and Market streets from Jabez Corner to Town Square, and appropriated \$8,000 for this purpose.

The Selectmen did not think it advisable to do the work during the summer, as a large number of the visitors are

constantly going over this road, there being no other way to the south part of the town. The work was begun at Jabez Corner about Oct. 1, and under the supervision of the Superintendent of Streets, with Mr. E. P. Bartlett as foreman, was completed as far as the Green, when the work was suspended on account of cold weather. The expense up to this point was \$6,758.85, leaving a balance of \$1,241.15 of the appropriation, which, with the \$1,000 subscribed by Mr. Eben D. Jordan, (making in all \$2,241.15), will complete the road.

NEW ROADS.

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| The appropriation for new roads for 1904 was. | \$1,000 00 |
| There has been expended in the widening of Billington street. | 340 85 |
| And on Forest avenue, labor and material, | 828 13 |
| Land damage, | 200 00 |
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| Total, | 1,028 13 |
| Overdraft, | \$1,368 98 |
| | \$368 98 |

We recommend an appropriation of \$1,000; also \$368.98 to cover the deficiency.

STATE HIGHWAY.

A request has been made of the State Highway Commission for an extension of the State Highway from its present terminus, near Hotel Pilgrim, toward town.

The Commission has agreed to build to the foot of the hill near Cliff street the coming spring.

The Selectmen have signed an agreement holding the town liable for all damage caused by the taking of land, and changing of grades, as authorized by vote of the town, Oct. 4, 1904.

STREET SPRINKLING.

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| The appropriation for this department was, | \$2,000 00 |
| Amount expended, | 2,243 21 |

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| Overdraft, | \$243 21 |
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Of the amount expended, \$246.12 was paid the Water Department for the erection of stand pipes, etc. We recommend an appropriation of \$2,250; also \$243.21 to cover the overdraft.

STREET LIGHTING.

There has been added to the street lighting circuit the past year, five series lamps of 25 candle power, making at the present time:

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| 291 Series lamps, 25 c. p. at \$20.00, | \$5,820 00 |
| 3 Series lamps, 32 c. p., at \$21.00, | 63 00 |
| 7 arc lamps, 2,000 c. p., at \$125.00, | 875 00 |

\$6,758 00

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| Jan. 1, 1904, there was an undrawn balance of | \$586 30 |
| Appropriation, | 6,500 00 |

\$7,086 30

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| Expended during the year, | 6,700 80 |
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| Undrawn balance, | \$385 50 |
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We recommend an appropriation of \$6,500 for the coming year.

SIDEWALKS.

New concrete walks have been laid as follows:

4,704 feet on Verron street from Court to Allerton streets; 360 feet on Summer street, near High street; 3,046 feet on Cushman street from Court street, to the residence of

Miss Rose Whiting; 1,476 feet on Church street, from High street. There has also been laid 2,025 feet of granolithic walk on Court street in front of the residences of Gideon F. and Francis C. Holmes, they paying one-half of the cost. 215 feet of granite curbing and 1,164 feet of block pavers have been laid, and gravel sidewalks built, on Standish ave., Howland and Water streets.

Jan. 1, 1904. There was an undrawn balance of \$782 96
Appropriation, 1,500 00

\$2,282 96

Expenditures, \$3,223 11

Re-imbursements from G. F.

Holmes and others, 449 00

2,774 11

Overdraft, \$491 15

We recommend an appropriation of \$3,000 for the coming year; also \$491.15 to cover the deficiency.

CONTINGENT.

This account is usually overdrawn, but owing to a special appropriation for the Board of Health, which has heretofore been charged to this account, and large amounts received for license fees, which are credited to this account, there is an undrawn balance of \$7,672.62, which with an appropriation of \$1,000, we think will be sufficient for the coming year, and is therefore recommended.

SEWERS.

New sewers, with the necessary manholes, etc., have been laid as follows:

Alden street, 196 feet of 8-inch.

Castle street, 522 feet of 6-inch.

Davis street, from Oak street, 160 feet of 6-inch.

Oak street, from Samoset to Davis street, 604 feet of 8-inch;

Standish avenue, from Cherry street, running south, 246 feet of 8-inch.

Balance to credit of sewers, Dec. 31, 1904,

\$652 84

POLICE STATION.

By a vote of the Town passed April 4, 1903, the Selectmen were authorized to fit up the basement of the Town House for the use of the Police Department. Nothing was done about this at the time, as the Selectmen decided to recommend the building of a new Town House in their next report, and in March, 1904, a committee was appointed to investigate and report at an early date. No report has been made as yet, and as it was foreseen, there would be greater need of a Police station the coming year, the Ladder Truck was moved to quarters owned by the Town at the upper end of Town Square. There have been four new cages provided, which can be moved in case of a change in quarters, and with the three cells already there, give ample room for ordinary purposes. There is a room where the officers can converse with people in private, and a large corridor in the centre.

This arrangement is very satisfactory to the Selectmen, Police and public generally.

MISCELLANEOUS.

At a Town meeting held October 4, 1904, it was referred to the Selectmen to report at the next Town Meeting, as to the cost and advisability of macadamizing the Bartlett Road at Manomet. The estimated cost is \$5,000, which is based on seven-eighths of a mile to be fifteen feet wide, and six inches deep, there being no land damage, and the uncrushed stone costing 75 cents per ton.

In regard to the laying of a sewer in Newfields street, which was also referred to the Selectmen, the estimated cost is \$2,000, and the sewer fees from those agreeing to connect will be \$87.50. The Board is unanimous in the opinion that it is inadvisable for the Town to spend the amount required for these improvements as so few will be benefited thereby.

APPROPRIATIONS.

The following appropriations are asked for by the several departments of the town :

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| Schools, | \$46,000 00 |
| Roads and bridges, | 20,000 00 |
| Fire department, | 11,500 00 |
| Poor, | 8,000 00 |
| Lighting streets and town house, | 6,500 00 |
| Town debt and interest, | 20,000 00 |
| Sidewalks, | 3,000 00 |
| Contingent, | 1,000 00 |
| Watch and police, | 5,500 00 |
| Assessors, | 2,000 00 |
| Sexton, | 125 00 |
| New Roads, | 1,000 00 |
| Parks, | 750 00 |
| Training Green, | 175 00 |
| Tree warden account, | 850 00 |
| Collector of taxes, | 800 00 |
| Treasurer, | 800 00 |
| Cemeteries, | 1,000 00 |
| Burial Hill, | 600 00 |
| Street sprinkling, | 2,250 00 |
| Removal of snow, | 2,000 00 |
| Board of health, | 1,600 00 |
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| | \$135,450 00 |

Deficiencies.

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| Assessors, | \$4 25 | |
| New schools, | 1,869 46 | |
| Roads and bridges, | 3,388 02 | |
| Soldiers' relief, | 2,341 83 | |
| Town debt and interest, | 42 40 | |
| Military aid, less amount paid by State, | 360 00 | |
| Schools, | 573 24 | |
| Poor, | 2,457 98 | |
| New Roads, | 368 98 | |
| Watering streets, | 243 21 | |
| Fire department, | 1,021 88 | |
| Training Green, | 6 65 | |
| Sidewalks, | 491 15 | |
| Eel River, | 84 95 | |
| Board of health, | 1,133 02 | |
| | <hr/> | \$14,387 02 |
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| | | \$149,837 02 |
| Less— | | |
| Corporation tax, | \$12,033 56 | |
| Bank tax, | 1,734 32 | |
| | <hr/> | \$13,767 88 |
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| | | \$136,069 14 |

To cover the amount required as above, it will be necessary to raise by taxation the sum of \$136,069.14 to meet the expenses of the town for the year 1905.

Respectfully submitted,

HORACE M. SAUNDERS,
 GEORGE W. BRADFORD,
 DEXTER H. CRAIG,
 IRA C. WARD,
 NATHANIEL G. LANMAN.

TREASURER'S REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1904.

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| The treasurer is charged with cash | |
| on hand, Jan. 1, 1904, | \$14,849 44 |
| Agawam and Half Way Pond Fishery, | 115 00 |
| Reimbursement on telephone, | 50 |
| Armory rent from State, | 300 00 |
| Fines and forfeitures from court, | 1,792 44 |
| Sale of herring streams, | 60 00 |
| Licenses, pool, billiard, etc., | 177 50 |
| Old Colony National Bank dividends, | 250 00 |
| Liquor licenses, | 13,603 00 |
| Sale of Town Records, | 295 66 |
| Armory rent, from Plymouth Band, et ali., | 793 84 |
| Fresh Brook, | 13 00 |
| Insane poor, reimbursement, | 42 71 |
| Cemeteries, sale of lots, etc., | 811 71 |
| Interest on taxes, | 1,034 58 |
| Military Aid, Chap. 372, | 462 73 |
| Town debt and interest reimbursement, | 799 20 |
| New school house loan, | 28,000 00 |
| Poor department, reimbursements, | 2,180 53 |
| Roads and bridges, reimbursements, | 4,421 91 |
| Seals, reimbursement from county, | 24 00 |
| State Aid from State, | 4,120 00 |
| Sewer entries, | 1,955 53 |
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| <i>Amount carried forward,</i> | <i>\$76,103 28</i> |

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| <i>Amount brought forward.</i> | \$76,103 28 |
| School department, reimbursements, | 117 00 |
| Soldiers' Relief, reimbursement, Chap. 447, | 105 00 |
| Sidewalks, reimbursement, | 449 00 |
| Watch and police, reimbursements, | 7 00 |
| Water rates and miscellaneous receipts, | 30,602 89 |
| Temporary loan, | 70,000 00 |
| Tax of 1902, including abatement of \$400.99 | 7,705 01 |
| Parks, reimbursements, | 144 37 |
| Burial Hill reimbursements, | 50 00 |
| Tax of 1903, including abatement of \$615.19 | 10,682 43 |
| Board of Health reimbursements, | 23 70 |
| Removal of snow from B. & P. St. Ry. Co., | 101 25 |
| Tax of 1904, including abatement of \$691.76 | 121,769 50 |
| Sandwich street loan and reimbursement, | 8,001 50 |
| Corporation tax, | 12 13 |
| Corporation tax, | 12,021 43 |
| National bank tax, | 1,734 32 |
| Dog fund for 1904, | 1,368 80 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$340,998 61 |

The Treasurer is credited with—

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|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| Abatements, | \$1,707 94 |
| Assessors, | 1,023 67 |
| Agawam and Hali Way Pond fishery, | 49 16 |
| Contingent, | 14,000 32 |
| Collector of taxes, | 800 06 |
| Cemeteries, | 2,525 09 |
| Fire department, | 10,321 88 |
| Murdock Fund interest, | 36 50 |
| | <hr/> |
| <i>Amount carried forward,</i> | \$31,364 62 |

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| <i>Amount brought forward,</i> | \$31,364 62 |
| Lighting streets and Town House, | 6,700 80 |
| Military aid, Chapter 372, | 720 00 |
| Memorial Day, | 150 00 |
| Public library, | 1,450 00 |
| Notes paid, | 14,753 48 |
| Interest paid, | 6,168 38 |
| New schools, | 29,869 46 |
| New roads, | 1,368 98 |
| Poor, | 11,638 51 |
| Roads and bridges, | 24,302 24 |
| Seals, | 27 00 |
| State aid, Chapter 374, | 4,432 50 |
| Sewers, | 3,325 63 |
| Schools, | 41,690 24 |
| Soldiers Relief, Chapter 447, | 2,446 83 |
| Sexton, | 125 00 |
| Treasurer, | 799 99 |
| Warren Fund interest, | 50 00 |
| Sidewalks, | 3,223 11 |
| Watch and police, | 6,368 87 |
| Water department, | 42,166 06 |
| So. street engine house, | 2,209 93 |
| Widows, | 104 00 |
| Training Green, | 181 55 |
| Temporary loan repaid, | 65,000 00 |
| Eel River, | 284 95 |
| Parks, | 549 01 |
| Burial Hill, | 572 81 |
| Old high schoolhouse lot, | 7 80 |
| Nathaniel Morton Park Fund interest, | 100 00 |
| Tree Warden account, | 847 51 |
| Forester, | 510 65 |
| <i>Amount carried forward,</i> | <hr/> \$303,509 91 |

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|--------------------------------|--------------|
| <i>Amount brought forward,</i> | \$303,509 91 |
| Watering streets, | 2,243 21 |
| Board of Health, | 2,156 72 |
| Removal of snow, | 2,642 94 |
| Sandwich street, | 6,775 39 |
| Corporation tax, | 269 15 |
| National bank tax, | 15 58 |
| County tax, | 11,130 14 |
| State tax, | 7,375 00 |
| National bank tax, | 3,519 56 |
| State highway repairs, | 146 05 |
| Cash balance, Dec. 31, 1904, | 1,214 96 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$340,998 61 |

Overdrawn Balances.

| | |
|--------------------------------|-------------|
| Assessors, | \$4 25 |
| Fire Department, | 1,021 88 |
| Military Aid, Capt. 372, | 723 07 |
| Town Debt and interest, | 42 40 |
| New schools account, | 1,869 46 |
| New Roads, | 368 98 |
| Poor Department, | 2,457 98 |
| Roads and bridges, | 3,388 02 |
| Seals, | 3 00 |
| State Aid, Chapt. 374, | 4,445 00 |
| Schools, | 573 24 |
| Soldier's Relief, Chapt. 447, | 2,341 83 |
| Sidewalks, | 491 15 |
| Water Department, | 5,606 65 |
| Training Green, | 6 65 |
| Eel River, | 84 95 |
| | <hr/> |
| <i>Amount carried forward,</i> | \$23,428 51 |

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|---|-------------|
| <i>Amount brought forward,</i> | \$23,428 51 |
| Watering streets, | 243 21 |
| Board of Health, | 1,133 02 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$24,804 74 |
| Less— | |
| State Aid, Chapt. 374, due from state, | \$4,432 50 |
| Military Aid, Chapt. 372, due from state, | 360 00 |
| Seals, due from county, | 3 00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$4,795 50 |
| Net overdraft, | \$20,009 24 |
| There is due the town as follows— | |
| Uncollected taxes of 1903, | \$8,890 62 |
| Uncollected taxes of 1904, | 22,656 13 |
| State Aid from State, Chap. 374, | 4,432 50 |
| Military Aid from State, Chap. 372, | 360 00 |
| Seal Bounty from County, | 3 00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$36,342 25 |

Undrawn Balances.

| | |
|----------------------------------|-------------|
| Abatements, | \$1,902 89 |
| Contingent, | 7,672 62 |
| Fresh Brook, | 55 92 |
| Insane Poor, | 470 23 |
| Cemeteries, | 224 67 |
| Lighting streets and Town House, | 385 50 |
| Public Library, | 375 00 |
| Sewers, | 652 84 |
| South Street school lot, | 1 44 |
| Warren Fund, | 1,000 00 |
| | <hr/> |
| <i>Amount carried forward,</i> | \$12,741 11 |

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|---|-------------|
| <i>Amount brought forward,</i> | \$12,741 11 |
| Watch and police, | 1,442 90 |
| South Street Engine house, | 42 93 |
| Widows, | 61 00 |
| Parks, | 345 36 |
| Burial Hill, | 32 16 |
| Old High School House lot, | 463 11 |
| Lucy J. Parker Estate, | 500 00 |
| Plymouth, Carver & Wareham St. Ry. Co., | 7,800 00 |
| Nathaniel Morton Park fund, | 2,000 00 |
| Tree Warden account, | 163 11 |
| Forester Account, | 1,488 37 |
| Removal of snow, | 458 31 |
| Sandwich Street, | 1,226 11 |
| Murdock Fund, | 730 00 |
| Treasurer, | 01 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$29,494 48 |

TOWN DEBT.

WATER LOAN.

| | |
|--|-------------------|
| Four per cent bonds, dated June 1, 1885, payable \$2,800 annually, | \$28,000 00 |
| Four per cent bonds, dated Aug. 1, 1890, payable \$1,300 an- nually, | 16,900 00 |
| <i>Amount carried forward,</i> | <hr/> \$44,900 00 |

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| <i>Amounts brought forward,</i> | \$44,900 00 | |
| Four per cent notes, dated Aug. 1, 1894, payable \$800 an- nually, | 12,000 00 | |
| Four per cent notes, dated Oct. 2, 1899, payable \$1,500 an- nually, | 22,500 00 | |
| Three and one-half per cent notes, dated May 1, 1901, pay- able \$1,000 annually, | 17,000 00 | |
| Three and three-fourths per cent. notes, dated July 1, 1903, pay- able \$666.66 annually, | 19,333 14 | |
| Four per cent note dated Dec. 24, 1904, payable in one year, | 1,440 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$117,173 14 |

NEW SCHOOL HOUSE LOAN.

| | | |
|---|-------------------|--------------------|
| Three and one-half per cent. notes, dated May 1, 1901, pay- able \$1,000 annually, | 7,000 00 | |
| Four per cent. note, dated Aug. 1, 1895, payable \$266.66 an- nually, | 5,599 86 | |
| Four per cent. note dated April 1, 1897, payable \$324.83 an- nually, | 974 49 | |
| Three and three-fourths per cent. notes, dated Aug. 13, 1902, payable \$550 annually, | 4,400 00 | |
| Four per cent. notes, dated July | | |
| <i>Amounts carried forward,</i> | <hr/> \$17,974 35 | <hr/> \$117,173 14 |

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|------------------------------------|-------------|--------------|
| <i>Amounts brought forward,</i> | \$17,974 35 | \$117,173 14 |
| 1, 1904, payable \$1,400 annually, | 28,000 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$45,974 35 |

SEWER LOAN.

| | | |
|---|------------|-------------|
| Four and one-half per cent. note dated Nov. 1, 1893, payable \$750 annually, | \$6,750 00 | |
| Four per cent. note, dated Aug. 1, 1895, payable \$100 annually, | 100 00 | |
| Three and three-fourths per cent. note, dated July 1, 1903, payable \$1,000 annually, | 26,000 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$32,850 00 |

MACADAMIZING LOAN.

| | | |
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| Four per cent. notes, dated Aug. 1, 1895, payable \$300 annually, | \$6,300 00 | |
| Four per cent. notes, dated Sept. 8, 1900, payable \$900 annually, | 5,400 00 | |
| Three and one-half per cent. notes, dated May 1, 1901, payable \$800 annually, | 5,600 00 | |
| Four per cent. notes, dated Nov. 1, 1901, payable \$340 annually, | 2,380 00 | |
| Three and three-fourths per cent. notes, dated Oct. 1, 1904, payable \$800 annually, | 8,000 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$27,680 00 |
| <i>Amount carried forward,</i> | | <hr/> \$223,677 49 |

Amount brought forward, \$223,677 49

STONE CRUSHER LOAN.

Three and one-half per cent.
notes, dated May 1, 1901,
payable \$500 annually, \$3,500 00

NEW ROADS LOAN.

Four per cent. note, dated July
1, 1896, payable \$300 annually, \$600 00
Four per cent. note, dated July
1, 1899, payable \$600 annually, 3,000 00

\$3,600 00

STATE HIGHWAY LOAN.

Four per cent. note, dated April
1, 1897, payable \$411.76 an-
nually, \$1,235 27

REAL ESTATE LOAN.

Three and one-half per cent.
notes, dated Feb. 14, 1903,
payable \$400 annually, \$3,600 00

SOUTH STREET ENGINE HOUSE LOAN.

Three and three-fourths per cent.
notes, dated July 1, 1903, pay-
able \$800 annually, \$7,200 00
Four per cent. notes, dated Dec.
15, 1903, payable \$250 annually, 2,250 00

\$9,450 00

Amount carried forward, \$245,062 76

Amount brought forward, \$245,062 76

PLYMOUTH, CARVER & WAREHAM ST. RY. CO.

Three and three-fourths per cent.

notes, dated Dec. 1, 1903, payable \$1,500 annually,

\$13,500 00

Debt Dec. 31, 1904,

\$258,562 76

Debt Dec. 31, 1903,

244,182 90

Increase for the year,

\$14,379 86

Borrowed during 1904,

37,440 00

Paid on debt during 1904,

23,060 14

\$14,379 86

CONTINGENT.

Cr.

Appropriation,

\$4,500 00

Appropriation for deficiency,

1,893 51

Sale of town records,

295 66

Licenses, pool, billiard, etc.,

177 50

Reimbursement on telephone,

50

Old Colony National Bank, dividends,

150 00

Fines and forfeitures from court,

1,792 44

Sale of herring stream,

60 00

Liquor licenses,

13,603 00

Armory rent, Plymouth band,

793 84

Armory rent from State,

300 00

\$23,566 45

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|---|------------------|
| Returns of births, deaths, etc., | \$322 50 |
| Printing, including town reports, | 491 75 |
| Expense at armory, | 2,247 48 |
| Fires in the woods, | 370 67 |
| Board of Health, | 31 75 |
| Repairs, | 2 25 |
| Fees and expenses of arrest, | 356 24 |
| Expense at Hook and Ladder house, | 124 77 |
| Awnings, | 10 50 |
| A. C. Chandler & Son, damages, | 75 00 |
| Clerk of selectmen, | 162 50 |
| Fuel at Town House, | 162 27 |
| Expressage, | 14 10 |
| Inspector of animals and provisions, | 295 00 |
| Alterations and repairs in police station, | 760 80 |
| Fire Police, | 30 00 |
| Office furniture, | 55 65 |
| Care of Town clock, | 39 70 |
| Inland fisheries, | 116 07 |
| Plymouth Rock Trout Co., damages, | 260 00 |
| B. T. Wheeler, services, | 100 00 |
| Auditor, | 75 00 |
| Board of Registration, | 317 95 |
| Plans, | 10 00 |
| Telephone, | 28 06 |
| Services of the selectmen, | 875 00 |
| Janitor at Town House, | 194 61 |
| Plymouth County, for board, | 9 29 |
| Surveying at the Indian Lands, | 59 80 |
| Opposing bill in Legislature on transfer of Registry of Deeds, | 693 42 |
| <i>Amount carried forward,</i> | <hr/> \$8,292 13 |

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| <i>Amount brought forward,</i> | \$8,292 13 |
| Power for Pilgrim Spring, | 113 08 |
| Carriage driver badges, | 34 25 |
| Town Clerk, | 50 00 |
| James Cassidy, damages, | 75 00 |
| Printing Town Records, | 202 17 |
| Plymouth Water Works, | 7 00 |
| Carting stone to Holmes Dam, | 22 75 |
| Stationery, etc., | 216 06 |
| Legal expenses, | 400 00 |
| Damages paid to Verzani, | 800 00 |
| C. E. Maker, for ice, | 12 00 |
| Expense of Town meetings and State election, | 302 45 |
| Incidentals, | 72 68 |
| Treasurer of Commonwealth, 25 per cent. of money received for liquor licenses, | 3,400 75 |
| Balance overdrawn Jan. 1, 1904, | 1,893 51 |
| Balance undrawn Dec. 31, 1904, | 7,672 62 |
| | <hr/> \$23,566 45 |

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Cr.

| | |
|---|-------------------|
| Undrawn balance, | \$492 31 |
| Appropriation, | 16,000 00 |
| Reimbursement from Water Department, | 279 39 |
| Reimbursement from Snow account, | 2,186 91 |
| Reimbursement from C. E. Trumbull Co., | 58 07 |
| Reimbursement from Plymouth County, | 57 94 |
| Reimbursement from Sandwich Street, | 296 50 |
| Reimbursement from new roads and sidewalks, | 297 50 |
| <i>Amount carried forward,</i> | <hr/> \$19,668 62 |

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| <i>Amounts brought forward,</i> | \$19,668 62 |
| Reimbursement from School Department, | 37 73 |
| Reimbursement from Fire Department, | 25 97 |
| Reimbursement from Poor Department, | 124 62 |
| Reimbursement from small accounts, | 50 25 |
| Brockton & Plymouth St. Ry. Co., excise tax, | 473 76 |
| Plymouth & Sandwich St. Ry. Co., excise tax, | 72 54 |
| Street Railway tax from State, | 460 73 |
| Overdrawn balance, | 3,388 02 |
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| | \$24,302 24 |

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| Dr. | |
| Payments in 1904 for repairs, etc., | \$24,302 24 |

| DEPARTMENT. | Balance | | Appropriations. | Appropriations for Deficiency. | Reimbursements. | Expenditures. | Balance | |
|--|------------|------------|-----------------|--------------------------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------|------------|
| | undrawn | overdrawn | | | | | overdrawn | undrawn |
| Abatements, | \$1,268 04 | | \$2,342 79 | | | \$1,707 94 | | \$1,402 89 |
| Assessors, | 419 42 | | 1,500 00 | | | 1,923 67 | \$ 4 25 | |
| Agawan Fisheries, | | | | | \$115 00 | 49 16 | | 65 84 |
| Contingent, | | \$1,893 51 | 4,500 00 | \$1,893 51 | 17,172 94 | 14,000 32 | | 7,672 62 |
| Cemeteries, | 138 05 | | 1,800 00 | | 811 71 | 2,525 09 | | 224 67 |
| Collector of Taxes, | 06 | | 800 00 | | | 800 06 | | |
| Fresh Brook, | 42 92 | | | | 13 00 | | | 55 92 |
| Fire Department, | | 515 72 | 9,300 00 | 515 72 | | 1,032 88 | 1,021 88 | |
| Insane Poor, | 427 53 | | | | 42 71 | | | 470 23 |
| Public Library, | 32 00 | | 1,500 00 | | | 1,450 00 | | 375 00 |
| Lighting Streets and Town House, | 86 30 | | 6,500 00 | | | 6,700 80 | | 385 50 |
| Murdock Fund, | 730 00 | | | | 36 50 | 36 50 | | 730 00 |
| Military Aid, Chap. 372 | | 928 53 | | 462 73 | 462 73 | 720 00 | 723 07 | |
| Memorial Day, | | | 130 00 | | | 150 00 | | |
| Town Debt and Interest, | 4,232 18 | | 15,000 00 | | 739 20 | 20,921 86 | 42 40 | |
| New Roads, | | 37 99 | 1,000 00 | 37 99 | | 1,368 98 | 368 98 | |
| Poor, | | 1,680 75 | 7,000 00 | 1,680 75 | 2,180 53 | 11,638 51 | 2,457 98 | |
| Roads and Bridges, | 492 31 | | 16,000 00 | | 4,421 91 | 24,302 24 | 3,388 02 | |
| Seals, | | | | | 24 00 | 25 00 | 3 00 | |
| Sexton, | | | 125 00 | | | 125 00 | | |
| State Aid, Chap. 374 | | 4,132 50 | | | 4,120 00 | 4,432 50 | 4,445 00 | |
| Sewers, | 1,773 28 | | | | 1,955 53 | 3,325 63 | 632 81 | |
| Schools, | | 1,438 13 | 41,000 00 | 1,438 13 | 117 00 | 41,690 24 | 573 24 | |
| Soldiers' Relief, Chap. 447, | | 2,080 15 | | 2,080 15 | 105 00 | 2,446 83 | 2,341 83 | |
| South Street School Lot, | 44 | | | | | | | 1 44 |
| Sidewalks, | 782 96 | | 1,500 00 | | 449 00 | 3,223 11 | 491 15 | |
| Treasurer, | | | 800 00 | | | 799 99 | | 01 |
| Warren Fund, | 1,000 00 | | | | 50 00 | 50 00 | | 1,000 00 |
| Watch and Police, | 804 77 | | 7,000 00 | | | 6,368 87 | | 1,442 90 |
| Water Department, | 2,456 52 | | 3,500 00 | | 30,602 89 | 42,166 06 | 5,606 65 | |
| Widows, | 65 00 | | | | 100 00 | 104 00 | | 61 00 |
| South Street Engine House, | 2,232 85 | | | | | 2,209 93 | | 42 93 |
| Training Green, | | 16 63 | 175 00 | 16 63 | | 181 55 | 6 65 | |

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| Parks, | 120 27 | 750 00 | 120 27 | 144 37 | 549 01 | 345 36 |
| Tree Warden Account, | ... | 500 00 | ... | ... | 847 51 | 163 11 |
| Forester, | 510 62 | 250 00 | ... | ... | 510 65 | 1,488 37 |
| Burial Hill, | 1,749 02 | 500 00 | ... | 50 00 | 572 81 | 32 16 |
| Watering Streets, | 54 97 | 2,000 00 | 154 71 | ... | 2,243 21 | ... |
| Old High Schoolhouse Lot, | ... | ... | ... | ... | 7 80 | 463 11 |
| Lucy J. Parker Estate, | 470 91 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 500 00 |
| Plymouth Carver & Wareham St. Ry. Co., | 500 00 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 7,800 00 |
| Nathaniel Morton Park Fund, | 7,800 00 | 3,000 00 | ... | 100 00 | 100 00 | 2,000 00 |
| Removal of Snow, | 2,000 00 | 1,000 00 | ... | 101 25 | 2,642 94 | 458 31 |
| Board of Health, | ... | ... | ... | 23 70 | 2 156 72 | ... |
| Standish Avenue | 110 96 | ... | 110 96 | ... | ... | 1,133 02 |

Respectfully submitted, EDWARD L. BURGESS, *Treasurer.*

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

I have examined the accounts of the Treasurer and Collectors of Taxes and Water Rates, for the year of 1904, and find them to be correct. The various items have been charged the proper departments and vouchers shown for payments.

The cash balance at close of year was \$1,214.96 as stated in the Treasurer's report.

FRANK D. BARTLETT,
Auditor.

Plymouth, Feb. 11, 1905.

ASSESSORS' DEPARTMENT, 1904.

The assessors respectfully submit the following report for the year ending Dec. 31, 1904:

| | |
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| Assessed value of real estate, | \$6,912,225 00 |
| Assessed value of personal estate, | 2,453,039 00 |
| Assessed total value, | <u>\$9,365,264 00</u> |
| Gain in real estate, | \$226,475 00 |
| Loss on personal estate, | 15,835 00 |
| Assessed value of land, exclusive of buildings, | 2,377,650 00 |
| Assessed value of buildings, exclusive of land, | 4,534,575 00 |
| Assessed value of resident bank stock, | 204,256 00 |
| Assessed value of personal, excluding bank stock, | 2,248,783 00 |
| Rate of taxation, \$14 40 on \$1,000 00 | |
| Tax on real estate, | 99,536 04 |
| Tax on personal estate, | 35,323 76 |
| Tax on polls, | 6,102 00 |
| Tax on non-resident bank stock, | <u>3,463 83</u> |
| Amount given the collector of taxes, | \$144,425 63 |
| Residents assessed on property, | 1,687 |
| All others assessed on property, | 386 |
| Non-residents assessed on property, | 540 |
| All others assessed on property, | 110 |
| Persons assessed poll tax only, | 1,993 |
| Persons assessed on property, | 2,721 |

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|---------------------------|--------|
| Polls assessed, | 3.051 |
| Horses assessed, | 1.068 |
| Cows assessed, | 305 |
| Neat cattle assessed, | 2 |
| Sheep assessed, | 18 |
| Swine assessed, | 200 |
| Dwelling houses assessed, | 2,431 |
| Acres of land assessed, | 50,267 |

ABATEMENT ACCOUNT.

Cr.

| | |
|------------------------|------------|
| Overlayings, | \$2,342 79 |
| Balance Dec. 31, 1903, | 1,268 04 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$3,610 83 |

Dr.

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|--------------------------------------|------------|
| Abatements for years 1902-1903-1904, | \$1,707 94 |
| Balance Dec. 31, 1904, | 1,902 89 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$3,610 83 |
| Appropriation for year 1904, | 1,500 00 |
| Balance Dec. 31, 1903, | 419 42 |
| Overdrawn, | 4 25 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$1,923 67 |

Amount paid for services of assessors and expenses for clerical assistance, stationery, printing, horse hire and incidentals, \$1,923 67
 We recommend an appropriation of \$2,000.00 for the year 1905.

GEO. HARLOW,
 JAMES C. BATES,
 JOHN C. CAVE,

Assessors of Plymouth.

REPORT OF OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

The Overseers of the Poor respectfully submit the following report :

The conditions at the almshouse remain practically the same as a year ago. The house and barn are in good condition, the inmates are well cared for and the affairs have been administered in an economical manner. The excessive overdraft can be accounted for by the unprecedented call for outside aid, a fruitful cause of which, has been the licensing of the sale of liquor by the town. It is an admitted fact that the drink habit outrivals all other causes of poverty, and it has in the past year been brought forcibly to the notice of this board, in the calls for aid, which have come from those families where the one whose duty it is to provide, has been unable to do so on account of the liquor habit, thereby imposing on the town the burden of alleviating the suffering of the dependent ones.

Tramps.

Many of the cities and towns of the state are infested with tramps while Plymouth has practically none of them. A few years ago they were so numerous here that we took measures to rid the town of them, and the results have been most satisfactory. We took the ground that the tramp, instead of being a man looking for work, was mostly a man looking for a living without work, and as fast as they applied to us for lodging we had them committed to the State

Farm as vagrants; in a short time the tramp with us became a thing of the past, proving conclusively our method to be a good one to keep this class of undesirable people away from our town.

We recommend an appropriation of \$8,000 with an additional \$2,457.98 for the deficiency.

The chairman having been a member of the board for the past twenty one years, not being a candidate for reelection, takes this occasion to thank the voters of the town for their uniform courtsey and support during all these years.

POOR AT ALMSHOUSE.

| | | |
|---|------------|-------------------|
| Number of inmates Jan. 1, 1904, | | 11 |
| Added during the year, | | 4 |
| | | <hr/> 15 |
| Discharged during the year, | 5 | |
| Died during the year, | 2 | |
| | <hr/> | 7 |
| | | <hr/> 8 |
| Number remaining Jan. 1, 1905, | | |
| Expended, | | \$11,638 51 |
| Overdraft Jan. 1, 1904, | | 1,680 75 |
| | | <hr/> \$13,319 26 |
| Appropriation for 1904, | \$7,000 00 | |
| Appropriation for deficiency, | 1,680 75 | |
| Received from towns, cities and other sources, | 2,000 63 | |

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| Received from sale of hogs, | 161 65 | |
| Received interest on Murdock fund, | 18 25 | |
| | <hr/> | \$10,861 28 |
| Overdraft, | | <hr/> \$2,457 98 |

CHAS. P. HATCH,
CHAS. A. STRONG,
HERBERT W. BARTLETT,
Overseers of the Poor.

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN PLYMOUTH IN 1904.

- Jan. 5. Curtis Howard Finney and Ina G. Hipson, both of Plymouth.
- Jan. 5. John F. King of Plymouth and Annie M. Coffey of Cambridge. Married in Cambridge.
- Jan. 7. Albert Pushee of South Dakota and Hattie W. Pierce of Plymouth. Married in Plymouth.
- Jan. 7. Charles R. Humphrey and Nellie May Dean, both of Plymouth.
- Jan. 17. Henry T. Cash and Elizabeth May Ruprecht, both of Plymouth.
- Jan. 18. Leopold J. Schreiber and Mary Smyth, both of Plymouth.
- Jan. 18. Charles W. Cable of Providence, R. I. and Josephine (Perkins) Fuller of Plymouth. Married in Plymouth.
- Jan. 23. Albert W. Weyland and Elizabeth (Kritzmacher) Buchmann, both of Plymouth.
- Jan. 26. Edward B. Lawton and Mamie Taylor, both of Plymouth.
- Jan. 29. Enrico Cotti of Plymouth and Augusta Serra of Boston. Married in Plymouth.
- Feb. 1. Anton Raibell and Cotela Destrela, both of Plymouth.

- Feb. 3. George M. DeLancey and Amy L. Procter, both of Plymouth.
- Feb. 4. Leslie W. Wood and Grace L. Dunlap, both of Plymouth.
- Feb. 6. Louis Raneiri and Leonilde Balboni, both of Plymouth.
- Feb. 7. John J. McTighe of Brockton and Cora M. Bent of Plymouth. Married in Plymouth.
- Feb. 7. Luigi Bovi and Fortunata Marchaldi, both of Plymouth.
- Feb. 7. Egisto Roncalli and Pasquino Tura, both of Plymouth.
- Feb. 8. Frank C. Hessler of Plymouth and Margaret English of Brockton. Married in Plymouth.
- Feb. 10. Peter E. Paul, Jr., of Plymouth and Marry Barry of Taunton. Married in Taunton.
- Feb. 14. Edward Zaniboni and Elvira Ardizoni, both of Plymouth.
- Feb. 14. Ubaldo Lenzi and Carolina Benotti, both of Plymouth.
- March 3. Constant Desutter and Frances (Dunder) Verry both of Plymouth.
- March 16. Arthur M. Huggins and Nellie E. M. Townsend, both of Pembroke. Married in Plymouth.
- April 14. Patrick J. Dwyer and Isabella (Medowell) Stott both of Plymouth.
- April 17. Gottardo Leonardi and Mary Cavicchi, both of Plymouth.
- April 21. Ashton L. Howland and Alice G. Finney, both of Plymouth.
- April 27. William F. Diamond and Alice C. Simmons, both of Plymouth.

- May 1. Frederick Govoni and Emma Montenari, both of Plymouth.
- May 4. Henry Burton Eddy of Plymouth and Jennie Frances Hall of Kingston. Married in Plymouth.
- May 7. Henry John Wirzburger and Agnes Vogt, both of Plymouth.
- May 8. Matteo Scagliarini and Alfonsina Palavancchi, both of Plymouth.
- May 15. Alesandro Palavancchi and Adelle Nicoli, both of Plymouth.
- May 16. William Cromwell and Florence C. Hall, both of Plymouth.
- May 19. Thomas W. Doudican and Annie M. (Hackett) Burgess, both of Plymouth.
- May 23. Archie W. Nelson and Nellie W. King, both of Plymouth. Married in Abington.
- May 26. Earl W. Carnrick and Mabel F. Raymond, both of Plymouth.
- May 26. Henry Pen and Pearl Ferguson, both of Louisville, Ky. Married in Plymouth.
- May 29. David Barry and Katherine Wilhelmy, both of Brockton. Married in Plymouth.
- June 1. Robert W. Holmes and Louise H. Henrich, both of Plymouth.
- June 1. Alfred Eugene Finney and Laura Kendall King, both of Plymouth.
- June 2. John Harry Farnham of Brockton and Nina Blanche Eddy of Plymouth, married in Plymouth.
- June 4. Andrew Corlson and Emma Erickson, both of Plymouth.
- June 8. Charles T. Frost, Jr., of Plymouth and Christie M. Crockett of No. Haven, Me., married in Plymouth.

- June 8. Clarence M. Gardner and Emma F. Smith, both of Plymouth.
- June 9. William Bearhope and Mary Weild, both of Plymouth.
- June 13. Joseph Corsini and Celia Goralidi, both of Plymouth.
- June 15. John H. Burns of Whitman and Margaret Callahan of Plymouth, married in Plymouth.
- June 18. Gustavo Baietti and Margherita Vergnani, both of Plymouth.
- June 21. Sebastian Kussmann of Plymouth and Eva C. Lindhoest of Boston, married in Boston.
- June 21. James Russell Clark and Helen Louise Frink, both of Plymouth.
- June 22. Herbert Turner and Marie A. Fredette, both of Fall River, married in Plymouth.
- June 22. John A. Card of Pawtucket, R. I. and Lula B. Linsey of Arlington, R. I., married in Plymouth.
- June 22. Fred A. Sampson and Clara L. Bryant, both of Plymouth.
- June 23. George Swan Thom of Kingston and Ida May Sampson of Plymouth, married in Plymouth.
- June 27. Herbert W. Freeman and Helen L. (Quakely) Holmes, both of Plymouth.
- June 30. Herbert Hickey of Lynn and Lucy A. Campbell of Plymouth, married in West Somerville.
- July 2. Umberta Ferrari and Albertina Puluzzi, both of Plymouth.
- July 2. Leon Balboni of Plymouth and Mabel A. (McGregor) Johnson of Boston, married in Plymouth.
- July 2. William Star and Maria Souza, both of Plymouth.
- July 3. Charles Fortini and Caroline Pioppi, both of Plymouth.

- July 4. Isaac H. Valler and Charlotte (Strong) Patrick, both of Plymouth, married in Cambridge.
- July 22. Louis A. Cole and Florence A. Williams, both of Plymouth.
- July 28. Harry C. Benson and Katalene K. Sweeney, both of Plymouth.
- July 30. Antonio Andrado and Louisa Jesus, both of Plymouth.
- July 31. Louis Guidoboni and Rosie Maini, both of Plymouth.
- July 31. Bertram L. Nickerson of Norwood and Alice L. Erickson of Plymouth, married in Plymouth.
- Aug. 3. Herbert Samuel Maxwell and Laura Brewster Manter, both of Plymouth.
- Aug. 4. Frank Cromwell and Sally A. (Graham) Owens, both of Plymouth.
- Aug. 6. Chester Ferrioli and Mary Pirani, both of Plymouth.
- Aug. 7. Royal Hardess Nickerson and Bertha Evelyn Nickerson, both of Plymouth, married in Kingston.
- Aug. 10. Robert Winsor Savery and Mary E. Lahey, both of Plymouth.
- Aug. 13. Gulio Ardizoni and Rosa Muti, both of Plymouth.
- Aug. 18. Cornelius Bartlett, Jr., and Oline Anderson, both of Plymouth, married in Boston.
- Aug. 24. Thomas H. G. Pierce of Germiston, So. Africa and Mary Eleanor Manter of Plymouth, married in Plymouth.
- Aug. 25. George W. Bosworth of Plymouth and Adelaide G. Irwin of Sandwich, married in Sandwich.
- Aug. 28. Jacintho Vincente and Antonia Dosajos, both of Plymouth.

- Aug. 30. Samuel Ferguson of Plymouth and Sarah Crohan of Providence, R. I., married in Providence, R. I.
- Aug. 31. Solomon M. Holmes, Jr., and Hattie May Morse both of Plymouth.
- Sept. 1. Charles J. Vanamburgh of Plymouth and Louise Dries of Kingston, married in Kingston.
- Sept. 1. Fred Thomas and Mary Dias, both of Plymouth.
- Sept. 3. Egisto Leonardi and Amelia Zaneti, both of Plymouth.
- Sept. 3. John W. T. Pile and Elza Hoffman, both of Plymouth.
- Sept. 5. Myer Markus of Plymouth and Bessie Cheslar of New York, married in Plymouth.
- Sept. 6. Joseph Everett and Mary Ellen Moore, both of Plymouth.
- Sept. 6. Eva Malaguti and Teresa Gallerani, both of Plymouth.
- Sept. 10. Antonio DeMaura of New Bedford and Anna (Dias) Avelar of Plymouth, married in Plymouth.
- Sept. 12. Isaac B. Holmes of Plymouth and Joan Pitman Gale of Intervale, N. H., married in Intervale, N. H.
- Sept. 15. Adolfe Venturi and Louise Zanotti, both of Plymouth.
- Sept. 19. Lewis D. Bartlett and Margaret Powers, both of Plymouth.
- Sept. 20. William H. O'Brien and Margaret M. Carpenter both of Plymouth, married in Harbour Boucher, N. S.
- Sept. 28. Eli A. Johnson and Agnes Graham, both of Plymouth.
- Oct. 1. William Brewster and Mary Southgate, both of Plymouth.

- Oct. 6. John W. Parks of Duxbury and Beatrice A. Hill of Plymouth, married in Plymouth.
- Oct. 9. William R. Conroy and Annie McHale, both of Plymouth.
- Oct. 11. Henry Rogers Hedge of Plymouth and Eadith Heath Doliber of Brookline, married in Brookline.
- Oct. 18. Harry W. Burns and Jennie F. Carpenter, both of Plymouth.
- Oct. 22. Sebastian Govoni and Angiolina Vardelli, both of Plymouth.
- Oct. 22. Ardilio Neri and Mary Cocchi, both of Plymouth.
- Oct. 25. Chester Edmund Sampson of Plymouth and Louise Smith of Kingston, married in Kingston.
- Oct. 25. Guy Courtney Bunker and Esther Maud Bunker, both of Plymouth.
- Oct. 26. William E. Farrell and Jennie L. Vanamburgh, both of Plymouth.
- Oct. 26. Henry Grattan Donnelly of Newton and Ellen Janette Stoddard of Plymouth, married in Plymouth.
- Oct. 28. Pasquale Disivio and Edith McFaun, both of Brockton, married in Plymouth.
- Nov. 2. Hiram D. Cleveland and Alice Reed, both of Plymouth.
- Nov. 2. Samuel J. Lee of Plymouth and Irma A. Bird of Boston, married in Boston.
- Nov. 5. Vincent Mingotti and Gisella Drandani, both of Kingston, married in Plymouth.
- Nov. 10. Everett Hayden of Kingston and Minnie Schneider of Plymouth, married in Kingston.
- Nov. 13. William S. Pickard and Helen Hipson, both of Plymouth.
- Nov. 13. Allen H. Webquish and Katherine F. Hirsch, both of Plymouth, married in Fall River.

- Nov. 16. Philip Coleman Chandler of Plymouth and Lillian Gertrude Murdock of No. Abington, married in No. Abington.
- Nov. 17. John Darling Churchill and Alice H. Blackmar, both of Plymouth.
- Nov. 17. William B. Lee of So. Bellingham and Florence Linsley French of Plymouth, married in Plymouth.
- Nov. 23. Nathaniel T. Johnson of Plymouth and Margaret A. Meuse of Whitman, married in Whitman.
- Nov. 24. James B. Alden of Duxbury and Augusta L. Sears of Plymouth, married in Duxbury.
- Nov. 24. Josiah W. Beckford and Jennie E. (Duthie) Cowling, both of Plymouth.
- Nov. 25. Arthur W. Nightengale and Sarah (Cahoon) Parker, both of Plymouth.
- Nov. 26. John F. Bartlett and Sophia S. Johnson, both of Plymouth.
- Nov. 26. Francis E. Manter and Evangeline C. Pettersson, both of Plymouth, married in Boston.
- Nov. 30. William E. Wareham and Fannie E. Caswell, both of Plymouth.
- Dec. 3. George B. Sweeney and Edith Bureau, both of Plymouth, married in Fall River.
- Dec. 5. George W. Chase of Plymouth and Rebecca B. O'Brien of Brockton, married in Brockton.
- Dec. 6. William Chase and Jane H. Paty, both of Plymouth.
- Dec. 14. Henry G. Baumgartel and Emily (Franks) Mahuren, both of Plymouth.
- Dec. 22. Charles A. Stanton of Winthrop, Me., and Clara F. Sampson of Plymouth, married in Plymouth.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN PLYMOUTH IN 1904.

| 1904 | NAME. | NAMES OF PARENTS. | BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER | BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER |
|--------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Jan. 3 | Louisa Madaline Kelly | Joseph E. and Georgia | West Dennis | Wareham |
| 4 | Joseph Sylva | Manuel and Mary Costa | Azores | Azores |
| 4 | Carrie Govoni | Joe and Aurelia | Italy | Italy |
| 11 | Joseph Elias Marchant | Abraham and Elizabeth | Nova Scotia | Nova Scotia |
| 11 | Arthur Newman Sampson | William H. and Mary E. | Nova Scotia | Nova Scotia |
| 11 | Lawrence Francis Hodges | Frank and Ella J. | Plymouth | Sagamore |
| 13 | Catherine Elizabeth Deans | Robert and Kitty | Ireland | Ireland |
| 13 | LeBaron Barker | LeBaron R. and Amy | Brooklyn | Cambridge |
| 14 | Ruth C. Haesman | Philip and Maggie | Germany | Germany |
| 14 | — Chasworth | Walker and Harriet | England | England |
| 14 | Bernice Martin Smith | Isaac and Anna F. | Plymouth | Bourne |
| 15 | John McGoff | John P. and Rose McLaughlin | Ireland | Ireland |
| 17 | Helen Arleen Burgess | Everett F. and Eva M. | Plymouth | Middleboro |
| 18 | Charles Edward Sears, Jr. | Charles E. and Ethel M. Ellis | Plymouth | Raynham |
| 18 | Arthur Frederick Hughes, Jr. | Arthur F. and Nina J. | East Boston | Plymouth |
| 20 | Beatrice Helena McLellan | John and Mary J. | Nova Scotia | Nova Scotia |
| 21 | George Strassel | Nicholas and Madeline | France | France |
| 23 | Anellia Silva | Joseph and Filomena | Azores | Azores |
| 24 | Pauline Bertha Hooligan | Thomas A. and Ida M. | Boston | Plymouth |
| 24 | Antonio Busolari | Louis and Ortavia | Italy | Italy |
| 26 | Charles Thomas Smith | Samuel F. and Annie W. | Plymouth | East Dedham |
| 1 | — Greenhaw | Burton and Annie W. | Illinois | Kingston |
| 2 | Agnes G. Matinzi | Louis and Generosa | Italy | Italy |
| 3 | William Nelson Wall | William E. and Marion A. | Plymouth | Plymouth |
| 6 | Dorothy Jane Carr | William W. and Mary J. | Prince Edward Island | Prince Edward Island |
| 6 | Anello Cotti | Henry and Augusta | Italy | Italy |
| 8 | Mary Elizabeth Brenner | Casper and Elizabeth C. | Germany | Plymouth |
| 10 | Carl Paul Wilhelmus | Henry and Susanna | Germany | Plymouth |
| 12 | Mabel Estella Adams | James P. and Ruth M. | Providence, R. I. | Germany |
| 13 | Elizabeth Sarah Weichel | Carl and Lena | Germany | Ireland |
| 14 | Olive Augustus Wilson | Joseph and Margaret | Peim. | Peim. |
| 15 | Florence Alice Welch | Edgar H. and Mary A. | Holyoke | Pawtucket, R. I. |
| 23 | William Cavellini | Vincenzo and Lizzie | Italy | Italy |
| 25 | Silvio Tinti | Antonio and Amberlina | Italy | Italy |
| 33 | Mary Josephine Ruprecht | Adolph and Maggie | Germany | Germany |
| 23 | Emma Bithk | Gustave and Mary | Russia | Russia |
| 28 | William Frank Barrett | Michael H. and Mary A. | Franklin, N. H. | Ireland |

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| 29 | Mar. | — Boothby | Charles W. and Florence M. | Medford, Mass. | Nova Scotia |
| 29 | | III | | | |
| 1 | | Charles Alexander Pierce | Charles H. and Ada | Plymouth | Fall River |
| 3 | | Wilfred Darling Weeks | Walter D. and Della W. Swift | Sandwich | Sandwich |
| 4 | | Elsie Viola Burgess | Horace E. and Helen | Plymouth | Sweden |
| 4 | | John Herbert Joyce | Michael and Ellen | Boston | Ireland |
| 7 | | Angelina Donchram | Emil and Dorilla | Germany | Canada |
| 16 | | Amalia H. Muller | Gottlopp and Anna | Germany | Germany |
| 16 | | Isis Flocchi | Erasmio and Maggie | Italy | Italy |
| 17 | | Phylis Isena Coville | William T. and Lizzie A. | Nova Scotia | Provincetown |
| 19 | | Doris Lee Arthur | Richard W. and Ida L. Taylor | Plymouth | Conn. |
| 20 | | Stillborn | | | |
| 21 | | Muel Vierre | Manuel and Lenna | Western Islands | Western Islands |
| 22 | | Bernard Patrick Sampson | Isaac H. and Mary E. Keefe | Nova Scotia | Novfoundland |
| 22 | | Aldo Fornaciari | Amedeo and Dalada | Italy | Italy |
| 24 | | — Busi | Raymond and Mary | Italy | Italy |
| 24 | | Caroline Bates Hall | Fred A. and Mary A. | Whitman | Plymouth |
| 1 | April | Henry Frederick Rose | Anton and Annie B. | Germany | Germany |
| 2 | | Francis William Bartlett | William L. and Emma | Plymouth | England |
| 6 | | Dorothy Frances Boutin | Joseph and Mary | Cape Breton | Cape Breton |
| 6 | | — Lockwood | Herbert and Hannah | England | England |
| 12 | | Charles Lawrence Callanan | John F. and Catherine E. | Whitman | Rockland |
| 12 | | Annie Mendal Kane | Michael and Annie | Ireland | Plymouth |
| 17 | | Walter Davis Raymond | William W. and Ida M. | Plymouth | Plymouth |
| 18 | | Richard Alonze Stevens | James A. and Minnie B. | Barstable | Sandwich |
| 19 | | Henry Robert Bodel | John and Mary A. | Ireland | Ireland |
| 20 | | Iolanta Cavicchi | Fred and Fralla | Italy | Italy |
| 24 | | Earl Pierce Bassett | William F. and Mary L. | Plymouth | Quincy |
| 30 | | Thelma May Stone | Frederick D. and B. Josephine | Vermont | Plymouth |
| 7 | May | Alice Alborghini | Fred and Lizzie | Italy | Italy |
| 7 | | Sarah Frances Gray | William A. and Nannie J. | Plymouth | Raleigh, N. C. |
| 8 | | Avvenire Casoli | Gaetano and Ida | Italy | Italy |
| 10 | | Amando Zucalli | Ernesto and Selina | Italy | Russia |
| 10 | | Marian Kaplow | Arthur J. and Sarah F. | Russia | Plymouth |
| 11 | | Geneva Campbell Fisher | Consider H. and Sarah E. | Sandwich | Italy |
| 13 | | Agnes Carraviti | Anone and Bethina | Italy | Italy |
| 14 | | Stillborn | | | |
| 15 | | Dorothy Rosemary Connors | David H. and Mary | Woburn | Lowell |
| 16 | | Rosie Guiderboni | Anselmo and Leonilda | Italy | Italy |
| 17 | | Stillborn | | | |
| 21 | | Chestino Rossi | Lonis and Zulina | Italy | Italy |
| 22 | | Helen Maynard | Alfred H. and Caroline L. | Petersham | Marlboro |
| 22 | | Guido Italo Berardi | Giuseppe A. and Maria G. | Italy | Italy |
| 23 | | Melvin Clark Glines | George A. and Ida M. | Tilton, N. H. | Ontario |
| 26 | | Florine Vary | Almece and Marie L. | New York | Canada |

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| 1904 | NAME. | NAME OF PARENTS. | | BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER | | BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER | |
|------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|----------------------|--|----------------------|--|
| | | Lieven and Josephine | | France | | France | |
| May | Nicholas Pierre Demmler III | Elisla B. and Mary D. | | Plymouth | | Manchester | |
| | Lewis Alton Sampson | Theodore and Augusta | | Germany | | Germany | |
| June | Paul Theodore Barke | William R. and Julia F. | | No. Hampden | | Cambridge | |
| | Ethel Jordan Bucknam | Herbert F. and Margaret M. | | Plymouth | | Nova Scotia | |
| | Henry Oswin Davis | Diofelo and Rosa | | Italy | | Italy | |
| | Joab Consoni | George W. and Annie H. | | Plymouth | | Marshfield | |
| | Edith Freeman Wall | Walter J. and Katherine | | Canada | | Brookline | |
| | Estle Helena Petit | Norman and Lucy | | Cape Breton | | Nova Scotia | |
| | John Norman Marchand | Augustus S., Jr. and Lillian E. | | Plymouth | | Chatham | |
| | Caroline Gilbert Hadaway | Thomas A. and Lillian F. | | Medford | | Chatham | |
| | Annie Pearl Proctor | Ido-brandio and Ademia | | Italy | | Italy | |
| | Norina Cavolini | Antonio and Ritta | | Azores | | Azores | |
| | — Coelho | Peter and Ermina | | Italy | | Italy | |
| | Marygo Maloni | Ansin A. and Mary E. | | Plymouth | | Italy | |
| | Julia Catherine Wood | Leonardi and Alice | | Italy | | Fitchburg | |
| | Alfco Gattoli | Leslie W. and Grace L. | | Middleborough | | Italy | |
| | Harry Franklin Wood | Charles L. and Mary F. | | Plymouth | | Plymouth | |
| | Ruel Carver Robbins | William R. and Mabel F. | | Plymouth | | Plymouth | |
| | Harold Leslie Sears | Peter and Martha | | Germany | | Norwell | |
| | Elizabeth Martina Dries | George A. and Annie | | P. E. Island | | Nova Scotia | |
| | Mary Jeanette Condy | Daniel E. H. and Edith | | England | | Ireland | |
| | William Edward Tong | Arthur S. and Mary G. | | Plymouth | | England | |
| | Kenneth Leslie Weston | Antonio and Maria | | Italy | | Plymouth | |
| | Patrick Charmella | Herbert M. and Eva J. | | Italy | | Italy | |
| | Bernice Alexina Stuart | Jacob H. and Leah | | Russia | | Cape Breton | |
| | Harry Sallow | Charles H. and Katherine | | Plymouth | | Russia | |
| | Lillian Esther Erickson | Edward P. and Edith W. | | Plymouth | | Germany | |
| | Beatrice Parker Davie | Andrew and Maria | | Italy | | Plymouth | |
| | Joseph Busi | Aristide and Erminia | | Italy | | Italy | |
| | Guido Antonietti | Frank and Marilla | | Sweden | | Italy | |
| | Elba Margaret Halgren | Caesar and Mary | | Italy | | Sweden | |
| | Helen Palavanchi | Matteo and | | Italy | | Italy | |
| | Carmen Scandiani | Frederick B. and Harriet J. | | Acton | | Italy | |
| | Eleonor Brooks Noyes | Salvini and Mary | | Italy | | West Acton | |
| | Mary Edna Ann | Marks F. and Winifred | | Plymouth | | Canada | |
| | Catherine Frances Brannecker | John and Annie | | Ireland | | Plymouth | |
| | — O Keefe | | | | | Canada | |

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| 23 | Henry Leonardi | Gotiardo and Mary | Italy | Plymouth |
| 23 | Doris Gertrude Humphrey | Charles R. and Nellie M. | No. Adams | Plymouth |
| 25 | Leno Christofori | Charles R. and Benilda | Italy | Italy |
| 27 | Lawrence William McCarthy | Charles and Sarah E. | Pail River | Pail River |
| 29 | Florence Elizabeth Andrews | Thomas H. and Elizabeth E. | Plymouth | Ireland |
| 29 | William T. Wood | Alfon A. and Amanda A. | Plymouth | Sandwich |
| 30 | Chester Tobin Jensen | Jens A. and Amanda O. | Norway | Sweden |
| 31 | Harold Theodore Everett | Andrew and Anna | Sweden | Sweden |
| 32 | Alfred John Daggett | John D. and Mary E. | Maine | Dover, N. H. |
| 4 | Florine Carand | Domenico and Filimene | Italy | Italy |
| 5 | Elizabeth Colletti | Romco and Sylvia | Italy | Italy |
| 5 | Ida Banzi | Adilio and Mary | Italy | Italy |
| 11 | Martan Lee Smith | Lewis B. and Orinda A. | Denms | Nova Scotia |
| 12 | Lodovico Pedezani | Niceto and Macerlana | Italy | Nova Scotia |
| 14 | Eva May Nickerson | Alfred C. and Della A. | Lowell | Lowell |
| 16 | Charles Stevens Rogan | James E. and Rosama | England | Providence |
| 17 | Patrick Delaney | James and Katherine | England | Providence |
| 17 | John Delaney | James and Katherine | Plymouth | New Brunswick |
| 17 | Roy Calvert Cameron | William B. and Agnes M. | Plymouth | Hudson |
| 17 | Mary Hastings Manter | Joseph L. and Annie E. | Canada | Canada |
| 19 | Bergeron Bureau | Phllip and Selemia | Canada | Canada |
| 22 | Mildred G. Knight | James and Ella | Plymouth | Plymouth |
| 26 | Charles Francis Stevens | William and Amanda L. | England | Penn. |
| 27 | William Burgess Holmes, Jr. | William B. and Hattie E. | Plymouth | Milford Mass. |
| 27 | Clementa Bronchini | Joseph and Kate | Italy | Italy |
| 29 | Anthony Lawrence | Frank and Anna | Western Islands | Italy |
| 29 | Gaetanini Acolla | Louis and Teresa | Italy | Italy |
| 1 | Frank Mangauelli | Sebastiano and Camella | Wales | England |
| 2 | — Humphrey | Charles H. and Ruth A. | Carver | Duxbury |
| 2 | Fredericka Wade | Harry E. and Bessie V. | Yarmouth | Ireland |
| 5 | Mildred Frances May Cash | Gideon E., Jr. and Ellen H. | Italy | Italy |
| 7 | Astorre Ottani | Enea and Esilia | Italy | Italy |
| 12 | Marian L. Dickson | James W. and Ida M. | Plymouth | Plymouth |
| 14 | Granville Harcourt Beaver | John A. and Ade E. | England | England |
| 17 | Florence Wilhelmina Hurle | William T. and Maria L. W. | Boston | Germany |
| 18 | Leroy Sampson | Frank A. and Minnie | Kingston | Denmark |
| 20 | Antonio Costa | Joseph and Anna Menace | Western Islands | Western Islands |
| 24 | Ludwig Jacob | Jacob and Lena | Germany | Germany |
| 25 | Martha Churchill | Charles G. and Lizzie S. | Plymouth | Plymouth |
| 25 | Frank Wesley Griswold | Charles L. and Cecelia M. | Nova Scotia | Salisbury, Mass. |
| 26 | Alice Maude Washburn | Arthur L. and Edith M. | Illinois | Nova Scotia |
| 27 | Paul Vancini | Frank and Elizabeth | Italy | Italy |
| 27 | Inis Morisi | Peter and Rosa | Italy | Italy |
| 29 | Alice Evelyn Williamson | Charles R. and Ida M. | Woodstock, Vt. | Nova Scotia |
| 30 | Anna Greenleaf Bent | Walter E. and Charleanna A. | Sandwich | Plymouth |
| 30 | James Willard Knight | Joseph W. and Ida | Plymouth | Wareham |

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| 1904 | | NAME. | NAME OF PARENTS. | BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER | BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER |
|------|----|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Oct. | 3 | Frank Nines | Jesse and Catherine | Azores | Azores |
| | 4 | Frank Anthony Raymond | Frank A. and Ruth E. | Brockton | Carver |
| | 5 | Gilbert John Courtney | Guy C. and Helen | Plymouth | England |
| | 6 | Charles Herbert Smith | Charles A. and Bertha M. | Dennis | Hartwich |
| | 7 | David Wolf Resnick | Morris and Sela | Russia | Russia |
| | 8 | Caesar Cosini | Anton and Louisa | Italy | Italy |
| | 11 | Margaret Viola Pickard | Simon and Sarah J. | Nova Scotia | Nova Scotia |
| | 12 | Paul Day Cooper | Charles H. and Ida E. | Nova Scotia | Plymouth |
| | 13 | Russell Harold Zahn | John H. and Mary A. | Conn. | Nova Scotia |
| | 13 | Philip Anderson | Charles and Mary A. | Plymouth | Dayton, O. |
| | 13 | Frederick Dries | William and Ruth S. | Somerville | Woods Hole |
| | 15 | Bertrice Gagne | Henry and Annie | Germany | Germany |
| | 15 | Henry Gaderboni | Paul and Marceline | Canada | Canada |
| | 16 | Leopold John Schreiber | Luigi and Rose | Italy | Italy |
| | 16 | Florence Evangeline Valler | Leopold J. and Mary E. | Newark, N. J. | Ireland |
| | 16 | George Porter Brown | David A. and Mary E. | Plymouth | England |
| | 19 | Elizabeth Winslow Ruprecht | Richard B. and Amy | Duxbury | Albion |
| | 20 | Ella Elizabeth Raymond | Marries J. and Margaret A. | Germany | Schuatic |
| | 20 | Annette Rose Demar | Henry and Ellen | Wacham | Hopkinton |
| | 21 | — Fortini | Adolph H. and Bertha | Canada | Canada |
| | 22 | — Bloom | Annette and Emma | Italy | Italy |
| | 22 | Warren Winslow Morton | Irving L. and Lillian | Italy | Plymouth |
| | 23 | — Pirani | Albert and Sarah J. | Milford | Italy |
| | 29 | Ruth J. Raymond | Alphonso and Danatadra | Italy | Italy |
| | 30 | Francis Edward Whitley | Nathan and Lottie | Dartmouth | Nantucket |
| | 31 | Emma Elizabeth Reidenbach | William H. and Sarah E. | England | England |
| | 31 | Vincent Busi | Gustave and Margaret | Germany | Germany |
| Nov. | 4 | John Francis Sampson | Paul and Amelia | Italy | Italy |
| | 9 | Marion Gray Whiting | John and Della | Nova Scotia | Rockland, Me. |
| | 12 | Leonard Weston Lathey | Henry H. and Bridget D. | Plymouth | Ireland |
| | 18 | — Calahan | Jeremiah J. and Grace C. | Plymouth | Plymouth |
| | 20 | Mary Octavia Doyon | Thomas S. and Lena C. | Plymouth | New Brunswick |
| | 23 | — Zauboni | Ann e and Josephine | Canada | Nova Scotia |
| | 23 | — Boive | Edward and Elvira | Italy | Italy |
| | 24 | Joseph G. Fournier | Louis and Fortuna | Italy | Italy |
| | 24 | Robert James Bearhope | Adelard and Exeverine | Canada | Fall River |
| | 25 | Harry Burton Eddy | William and Mary | Scotland | Scotland |
| | 25 | | Harry B. and Jennie F. | Plymouth | Woburn |

| Dec. | | | | |
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| 30 | Susie Partman McDonald | Murdock and Lizzie | Nova Scotia | Nova Scotia |
| 7 | Russell Edward Cole | Louis A. and Florence A. | Middleboro | Plymouth |
| 9 | Arthur Everett Hayden | Everett A. and Minnie | So. Weymouth | Germany |
| 16 | Theodore Lacey | Arthur J. and Olive | England | Norwood |
| 17 | William Bogazani | Hugo and Amelia | Italy | Italy |
| 17 | Adelbert Lester Nickerson | Royal and Bertha | Plymouth | Plymouth |
| 19 | Edith Marion Knight | Henry and Julia | Plymouth | Italy |
| 20 | Eleanor Balboni | Joe and Mary | Italy | Italy |
| 21 | —Borsari | Ralph and Emma | Italy | Italy |
| 23 | Alexander Govoni | Antonio and Amalia | Azores | Azores |
| 25 | Mannel Silva | Manuel and Maria | Taunton | So. America |
| 28 | Francis Herbert Taylor | George F. and Margaret | New Hampshire | P. E. Island |
| 30 | Leslie Carleton Knowlton | Herbert L. and Idella | Germany | Germany |
| 30 | Edmund Castler | John and Rosa | Germany | Germany |
| 30 | Frederick Carl Kaiser | Daniel and Katherine | Plymouth | Elmira, N. Y. |
| 31 | Harriet Russell Bartlett | John F. and Sophia S. | | |

DEATHS REGISTERED IN PLYMOUTH IN 1904.

| DATE. | NAME. | AGE | | | CAUSE OF DEATH. | NAME OF PARENTS. |
|-------|--------------------------|-----|----|----|--|--|
| | | Y. | M. | D. | | |
| Jan. | Jane Heap | 76 | 8 | 22 | Probably heart disease | John Shackleton and Elizabeth Jennings |
| " | John J. Doherty | 58 | 1 | 15 | Cerebral hemorrhage | John and Margaret Cunningham |
| " | Thomas G. Savery | 60 | 3 | 13 | General paralysis | Joseph and Betsey Thrasher |
| " | Eleanor Kendrick | 60 | 6 | 20 | Gastric carcinoma | Thomas Cole and Susan Jaynes |
| " | James T. Eddy | 57 | 4 | 12 | Suffocation | Henry H. and Abigail Richmond |
| " | Ellsworth A. Chandler | 13 | 5 | 21 | Appendicitis | Alfred W. and Mary A. Soule |
| " | David McLean | 66 | — | 18 | Pneumonia | George and Janet Paton |
| " | Stillborn | — | — | — | — | — |
| " | Arthur L. Brown | 44 | 11 | 26 | General paralysis (died in Westborough) | Joseph L. and Mary Bartlett |
| " | Helen Arleen Burgess | — | — | 8 | Premature birth | Everett F. and Eva May Tribbon |
| " | Deborah Finney | 80 | 9 | 13 | Old age | Jabez Swift and Eunice Dunham |
| " | Charles L. Stierman | 51 | — | — | Accidental drowning | Reuben and Harriet E. Bonsey |
| " | Ann J. Bartlett | 70 | 4 | 2 | Heart disease (died in Middleboro) | Leonard Snow and Maria Holmes |
| " | Lyndon H. Finney | 30 | 6 | 23 | Typhoid fever | Clark and Antonette C. Balchelder |
| " | Ethel L. Holmes | 21 | 2 | 8 | Typhoid fever | Lyman A. and Lizzie Pierce |
| " | Joseph Russell Dickson | 1 | 6 | — | Gastro enteritis | Russell L. and Sarah A. Wixon |
| " | Mabel Blanch Briggs | 14 | 2 | 26 | Typhoid fever | James A. and Annie M. Lynch |
| " | Mary Silva | 5 | — | — | Membranous croup | John and Julia Thomas |
| " | Charles H. Drew | 65 | 2 | 27 | Acute nephritis (died in Brookline) | Abijah and Sally Chamberluek |
| " | Annie M. Young | 49 | 8 | 20 | Carcinoma | William Popp and — |
| " | Stillborn | — | — | — | — | — |
| " | Reuben Nickerson | 78 | — | — | Prostatitis | Sincon and Elizabeth Kenney |
| " | Maria Ellis | 70 | — | — | Angina pectoris | Oliver Sharp and Mary French |
| " | William Wilhelmy | 21 | 4 | 18 | Pulmonary tuberculosis (d. in Kingston) | Charles and Kathrina Kuntz |
| " | Mary McDowell | 65 | 5 | 20 | Pneumonia (died in Denver, Colo.) | John Mackinzie and Mary Horne |
| " | Henry Drommer | 61 | 8 | 24 | Cerebral hemorrhage | Frederick and Anna Haaf |
| " | Samuel S. Howland | 75 | 8 | 15 | Pulmonary tuberculosis (died in Rindge, N. H.) | Jacob and Sally Collon |
| " | William M. Barnes | 59 | 10 | 3 | Bright's disease | Charles E. and Elizabeth Ishmael |
| " | Amelia B. Taylor | 94 | — | 17 | Fracture of hip | Joseph Davidson and — |
| " | Octavia Bussolari | 34 | — | — | Mitral regurgitation | Daniel Fava and — |
| " | Louis Smith | 38 | — | — | Accident hemorrhage | Bernard and Rebecca Davidson |
| " | Elizabeth Merchand | 25 | — | — | Pneumonia | Ellias Carpenter and Elizabeth Bishce |
| " | Priscilla Ledthrop Hedge | 81 | 8 | 17 | Old age with bronchitis | Isaac L. and Marianna Cotton |
| " | Deborah T. Dixon | 50 | 9 | — | Carcinoma | John Harlow and Jane Bradford |
| " | Harrison Holmes | 64 | 1 | 17 | Carcinoma | Caleb and Lucy Prior |
| " | Thomas C. Harlow | 73 | 4 | — | Mitral disease of heart | Joseph and Hannah Ellis |
| " | Patrick John Keefe | 64 | — | — | Typhoid fever | David and — |
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| Benjamin Whiting | 6 | 64 | 7 | — | Tumor of the brain (died in Boston) | Benjamin and Susan L. Finney |
| Charles J. Wilhelmly | " | 29 | 10 | 1 | Pulmonary tuberculosis (d. in Kingston) | Charles and Katharina Kuntz |
| Arthur McMahon | " | 5 | 6 | — | Accidental drowning | John and Mary Fry |
| William Auld | " | — | 10 | 12 | Capillary bronchitis | Salvini and Mary White |
| Sara Freeman Munter | " | 22 | 4 | 7 | Gastritis | Freeman and Abby A. Warren |
| Mary V. Lewis | 10 | 73 | 5 | 25 | Apoplexy | — and — |
| Mannel Gonclaves | 11 | — | 6 | — | Meningitis | Mannel and Josephine Costa |
| Nelson Brown | 11 | 85 | — | — | General paralysis | — and — |
| Daniel W. Holmes | 12 | 50 | 4 | 10 | Locomotor ataxy (d. in Roxbury, Conn.) | Galen R. and Julie E. Valler |
| Lucy B. Blanchard | 12 | 59 | 1 | 29 | Cancer | Ellis Morton and Polly Nickerson |
| Joseph Dries | 12 | 19 | 4 | 7 | Consumption | — and — |
| Benjamin W. Snosso | 13 | 1 | 9 | — | Cerebro spinal meningitis | Nicholas and Annie Wilhelmly |
| Stillborn | 17 | — | — | — | — | — and — |
| Mary Rudden | 20 | 34 | — | — | Heart failure | William and Drucilla Thompson |
| Sarah D. Potter | 20 | 73 | 1 | 12 | Heart failure bronchitis | Elf. Joyce and Nancy Robbins |
| Manuel Vierte | 21 | 2 hours | — | — | Heart failure | Mannel and Lena Bontalla |
| Isabella Noyes | 21 | 66 | 3 | 27 | Phthisis | John and Lydia Bates |
| Katharina Phillips | 22 | 59 | 10 | 8 | Pulmonary tuberculosis | — Miller and — |
| Ann O'Brien | 25 | 72 | 10 | 5 | Disease of brain | William Mylett and Cecily Cahill |
| Vencislav Cardozo | 26 | 24 | — | — | Pneumonia | — and — |
| Margaret Hasenmann | 26 | 41 | — | — | Chronic nephritis | Peter Winder and Louisa Peck |
| Marion Donylicz | 31 | — | 6 | — | Bronchitis | Omer and Elizabeth Galler |
| William B. Waters | 31 | 43 | — | — | Fall internal injuries (died in Cal.) | Lewis and Emma Reynolds |
| Edward W. Hoxie | 30 | 70 | 7 | 18 | Killed by R. R. train | Abiathar and Lydia Clark |
| Laura Russell | 30 | 76 | 4 | 2 | Nephritis | John and Deborah Spooner |
| — Ridenbush | 1 | — | — | — | Feeble from birth | Carl and Anna Bretner |
| Adaline Greene | 3 | 86 | 6 | 30 | Old age | Thomas Cone and Alice Barbank |
| Stillborn | 3 | — | — | — | — | — and — |
| Charles H. Beckford | 9 | 55 | 9 | 17 | Asthemia due to cystitis | Josiah and Benedicta Moore |
| William Harlow | 11 | 83 | 8 | 28 | Intestinal obstruction | William and Sophia Holmes |
| Wilfred Garry | 18 | — | 1 | — | Open foramen ovale | Fredrick and Nannie Gooding |
| John A. Carnes | 25 | 40 | 9 | 10 | Catarrhal pneumonia (died in Whitman) | John and Unice B. King |
| Harriet Gooding | 27 | 84 | 11 | — | Embolism cerebral | Charles Goodwin and Hannah Harlow |
| Theodore Jacob Mueller | 30 | 1 | 6 | 14 | Membranous croup | Gottlob and Anna Volk |
| Lattie M. Bartlett | 30 | 1 | 6 | 14 | General paralysis (died in Taunton) | Jesse R. Atwood and Miriam Atwood |
| Mary A. DeVine | 2 | 45 | 3 | 17 | Disease of heart (died in Kingston) | Patrick Greely and Julia Burns |
| John M. Deprey | 2 | 36 | — | — | Accidental drowning | Peter and — |
| Selino Dino Pavasi | 2 | 16 | — | — | Pott's disease | Saverio and Rosa Fechter |
| Frank Letford | 9 | — | — | — | Fracture of skull | — and — |
| John Henry Murray | 14 | 23 | 4 | 15 | Accidental suffocation | James H. and Annabel Cavanagh |
| James McNally | 14 | 45 | — | — | Struck by electric car | James and Annie McNally |
| Francis F. Finker | 16 | 75 | 7 | 14 | Bright's disease | Francis and Temperance Bowley |
| Clifford Joseph King | 16 | 23 | 6 | 26 | Nephritis | Remio B. and Margaret Forgeron |
| Stillborn | 17 | — | — | — | — | — and — |
| Lydia F. Gilbert | 18 | 71 | 4 | 5 | Carcinoma | Benjamin Dunham and Alice Finney |

DEATHS—CONTINUED.

| DATE. | NAME. | AGE. | | | CAUSE OF DEATH. | NAME OF PARENTS. |
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| | | Y. | M. | D. | | |
| May 20 | John Francis Lynch | 48 | 5 | 10 | Acute myocarditis | Timothy and Hannah O'Brien |
| " 23 | Hattie F. Boytes | 46 | 5 | 10 | Tubercular meningitis | Henry C. Bisbee and Catherine Goddard |
| June 3 | Domethilde Vian | 45 | 8 | 29 | Carcinoma uteri | Treffle Allard and Escher Guilbault |
| " 4 | David Hart | 32 | 10 | 4 | Nephritis (died in Kingston) | Dennis and Bridget Prendegast |
| " 5 | Joseph Costa | 2 | — | — | Pneumonia | Joseph and Annie Monish |
| " 5 | Wellington Lamberton | 75 | 10 | 14 | Cirrhosis of liver | Nathaniel and Lucy Cutting |
| " 10 | Albert W. Harle | 3 | 3 | 19 | Mesenteric consumption | William and Mary Hoppe |
| " 17 | Gornelia Burbank | 81 | 10 | 28 | Strangulation of intestines | Samuel Doten and Rebecca Bradford |
| " 19 | Anna Loveland | 64 | 6 | — | Nephritis (died in Springfield) | Job Ryder and Sally Holmes |
| " 20 | Manuel Rosa Garcia | 45 | — | — | Carcinoma of jaw | Joséph and — |
| " 21 | Mary Brown | 71 | 11 | — | Phthisis | Elkanah Bartlett and Mary Morton |
| " 23 | Joseph Ferdinand | 55 | 9 | 17 | Rheumatism | John and — |
| " 27 | Hannah S. Morton | 79 | 10 | 27 | Chronic nephritis (died in Boston) | Lemuel and Hannah S. Holmes |
| July 3 | Catherine G. Brown | 1 | 3 | — | Measles | Daniel G. and Faustina Holmes |
| " 5 | Rebecca Frances Holmes | 25 | — | 25 | Accidental drowning | William B. and Harriet Dibley |
| " 7 | Frederick A. Cushing | 51 | 9 | 24 | Compression of brain | Frederick and Elvira V. Ellis |
| " 8 | William H. Hall | 28 | 11 | 23 | Accidental drowning | Eber W. and Deborah Potter |
| " 9 | Walter Russell Bennett | 68 | 1 | 29 | Injury at life saving | George and Eliza Abbott |
| " 9 | Mary A. Doten | 77 | 1 | 10 | Carcinoma | Thomas B. Bartlett and Bethia Churchill |
| " 18 | Abbeus K. Harmon | 60 | 3 | — | Cancer of the stomach | Nathaniel and Hannah Gooding |
| " 19 | Ellis E. Brown | 70 | — | 19 | Angina pectoris | William and Sarah A. Book |
| " 19 | Charles William Sever | 72 | — | — | Cardiac oedema of lungs (d. in Kingston) | Charles and Jane A. Elliott |
| " 21 | Patrick Farwley | 80 | 11 | 3 | Endocarditis | Patrick and Mary Hussey |
| " 22 | Caroline M. Spooner | 80 | 11 | 1 | Chronic bronchitis | William and Hannah O. Nicholson |
| " 22 | O'Keefe | 86 | — | — | Asphyxion defective heart | John and Annie Robinscuan |
| " 29 | Mary Ryan | 75 | — | — | Myocarditis (died in Kingston) | Edward and Ellen Hackett |
| " 30 | John Rhuiprecht | 77 | 1 | 12 | Acute enteritis (died in Tewksbury) | Peter and Annie Corbight |
| August 1 | Eliza O. Lucas | 77 | 1 | 12 | Cholera infantum | James and Maggie Stroffolini |
| " 1 | Russell Alonzo Woodward | 16 | 7 | 2 | Scalding (died in Washington) | Alonzo Sylvester and Mary A. Alexander |
| " 7 | Angelina Doucham | 87 | 5 | — | Epileptic convulsions | Samuel and Mary King |
| " 12 | Karen Larsen | 58 | 1 | — | Gastro enteritis | Emil and Dorilla Cazavaut |
| " 15 | Abby Robbins | 58 | 1 | — | Heart failure and general debility | St. phen Westgate and Lucy Westgate |
| " 18 | Patrick Delaney | 29 | — | 1 1/2 | Cancer of face | James and Catharine McDermott |
| " 19 | Cora L. Miles | 29 | — | — | Hæmifion | George H. Newhall and Sarah Caloon |
| " 20 | Edward Walter Peterson | 9 | — | 29 | Hydatiform mole (hemorrhage) | Christian and Anna Jansen |
| " 21 | John Delaney | — | — | — | Hæo colitis (died in Dorchester) | James and Catherine McDermott |

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| 22 | Edmund Robbins | 73 | 6 | 1 | Natural causes probably heart disease | Edmund and Nancy B. Chandler |
| " | Delorah B. Thomas | 71 | 4 | 13 | Apoplexy (died in Taunton) | John Rogers and Sisie Hutchinson |
| " | Rebecca M. Howland | 75 | — | — | Chronic Bronchitis | Timothy Mitchell and Malissa Raymond |
| " | Mary Davidson | 85 | 7 | 34 | Tuberculosis | Robert Saunders and Jennie Sands |
| " | Antonio Bussolari | 32 | 11 | 3 | Pulmonary tuberculosis (died in Ind.) | Louis and Ottavia Para |
| " | Agnes W. Tillman | 80 | 5 | 9 | Senility (died in Boston) | John T. Gleason and Ellen Odell |
| " | Susan T. Jackson | 80 | 5 | 9 | Hemorrhage of the newborn (died in Wareham) | Daniel Jackson and ——— Turner |
| Augst | William Walter Cook | 4 | — | 5 | Cholera infantum | David and Emma F. Badger |
| Sept. | Ulrich Onelle | 1 | 1 | 3 | Hydrocepheloid | Paul and Alphonstina Gagne |
| " | Emily Furtado | — | — | 7 | Cholera infantum | Martiano and Mary Bartha |
| " | Anthony Lawrence | 79 | — | 11 | Gastritis | Frank and Anna ——— |
| " | John Lawrence | 79 | — | 8 | Cancer | Joseph ——— and ——— |
| " | Branch H. Pierce | 55 | 7 | 4 | Accidental injury (died in Rockland) | Branch and Abiah Douglass |
| " | Caleb Morton Dinham | 42 | 5 | 16 | Acute and jaundice (died in King-ston) | Elisha and Ruth F. Howland |
| " | Louisa Rudolph | 1 | — | 5 | Tubercular meningitis | John and Modalema Dries |
| " | Catharine Ledra Bagnell | 19 | — | 5 | Pulmonary tuberculosis | James H. and Catharine G. Donnelly |
| " | Alice Veerch | 8 | — | 3 | Cholera infantum | Henry and Ida Raimondi |
| " | Joab Consoni | — | — | 3 | Cholera infantum | Diofebo and Rosa ——— |
| " | Mary Lopes | — | — | 6 | Cholera infantum | Sylvester and Julia Alces |
| " | Mary Muri | 86 | 10 | 9 | Old age heart disease | Fredrick and Amelia Cantori |
| " | John Darling Churchill | 35 | 4 | 28 | Carcinoma | Sylvanus and Lydia Churchill |
| " | Eleanor Hyde | 50 | — | 6 | Accidental drowning | Eugene McCarthy and Susan Martin |
| " | John Doyle | 79 | — | 5 | Milk infection meningitis | John and Julia O'Neil |
| " | Annie Mendal Kane | 46 | — | 6 | Typhoid fever | Michael and Annie Wood |
| " | Frank S. Hall | 74 | 8 | 2 | Pulmonary tuberculosis | Ephraim and ——— |
| " | George Hinkley Jackson | 64 | 5 | 9 | Heart disease | James and Maria T. Holmes |
| " | George Franciosi | 82 | — | 3 | Cerebral tumor | Abraham and Harriet Goddard |
| " | Nancie C. Wood | 69 | 6 | 14 | Chronic enteritis (died in Boston) | Frank and Mary Berangozzi |
| " | Hannah C. Jones | 71 | 1 | 21 | Disease of heart | Fredrick W. and Sarah ——— |
| " | Sylvia A. Vinton | 43 | 4 | 19 | Paraphlegia (died in Braintree) | Bartlett Ellis and Hannah J. Ellis |
| " | Edmund Marsh | 74 | 6 | — | Marasmus | George N. and Lucy Holmes |
| " | Norina Cavolini | 39 | — | — | Spinal paralysis | Benjamin Harver and Lucy W. Dunham |
| " | Joseph W. Rosebury | 23 | 6 | 17 | Glioma of brain (died in Boston) | Zaccus Bartlett and Sylvia Blackwell |
| " | Adolph Malaguti | 52 | 11 | 28 | Ileo colitis | Edmund S. and Lucy Smith |
| " | Victor Bartlett | 23 | 6 | 17 | Sarcoma of pancreas | Ilda and Delmina Facchini |
| " | Elia M. Holmes | 45 | — | — | Spinal paralysis | John and ——— |
| " | Mattie Mabry | 72 | 4 | 10 | Bright's disease | Joseph and Elizabeth Grandi |
| " | George R. Calloway | 72 | 5 | 9 | Enlargement of heart with valvular disease | Eli and Eloise Curiot |
| " | Howard Kingsley Swift | 18 | 7 | 14 | Arterio sclerosis (died in Taunton) | William and Mary A. Bradford |
| " | Sarah Green Wall | 73 | 4 | 9 | Died three days after operation for ap- | ——— and ——— |
| " | Phoebe E. Sherman | — | — | — | Nephritis (d. in Roxbury) [pendileitis] | Robert and Mary A. Thomas |
| " | | | | | | Kingsley and Pamela Belden |
| " | | | | | | William H. and Eveline C. Chandler |
| " | | | | | | Joseph S. Barker and Alire Albro |

DEATHS—CONTINUED.

| 1904 | NAME. | AGE. | | CAUSE OF DEATH. | NAME OF PARENTS. |
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| | | Y. | M. D. | | |
| Oct. 31 | Ichabod Morton | 71 | 8 24 | Cystitis | Ichabod and Betsey Holbrook |
| " 5 | Mary H. Drew | 64 | 9 25 | Heart disease | Henry Mills and Mary Coville |
| " 5 | Lacy Bierre | 80 | 9 5 | Old age | Thomas Morton and Nancy Paly |
| Nov. 1 | Sarah W. Sherman | 75 | — 6 | Apoplexy | Joseph Beat and — Adams |
| " 1 | Ralph Morse Fay | 37 | 6 6 | Tramatic convulsions | Adison C. and Martha Mitchell |
| " 5 | Joseph Allen | 50 | 3 23 | Phthisis (died in Boston) | Sherman and — Wildes |
| " 6 | James Hall | 78 | 3 4 | Oedema of the brain | James and Sarah Wildes |
| " 6 | Mariana Grandi | 73 | 4 — | Congestion of lungs | John and Argia Perrani |
| " 8 | Thomas A. Stevens | 75 | 11 2 | Valvular heart disease | Benjamin and Elizabeth Austin |
| " 8 | Prima Busi | 4 | 3 — | Shock due to extensive burn | Paul and Amelia Capoli |
| " 9 | John T. Holmes | 51 | 11 4 | Chronic nephritis | Joseph and Rebecca D. Chandler |
| " 11 | Henry Franklin Raymond | 60 | 11 16 | Cerebral hemorrhage (d. in East Bridge- | Henry and Lucy Morey |
| " 12 | Hennetta Fratus | 82 | — 16 | Discharge of heart | Philip A. and Edna M. — |
| " 14 | Samuel Russell Dickson | 95 | 4 13 | Scutle debility | Samuel and Mary Churchill |
| " 17 | Martha J. Martin | 39 | — 13 | Peritonitis (died in Worcester) | Robert Darby and Isabella Copeland |
| " 17 | Nancy Capleton | 77 | 5 23 | Discharge of throat | Jobe and — Chase |
| " 18 | Lillian Blood | 24 | — — | Child birth peritonitis | Philip Bertocchi and Louisa Rossi |
| " 18 | Callahan | 2 | hours | Premature birth | Thomas S. and Christina Flood |
| " 21 | Ellen Brantecker | 55 | — — | Apoplexy (died in North Attleboro) | James Murphy and Ellen Reagan |
| " 22 | Patience C. Dunham | 84 | 10 1 | Bronchitis | Abraham and Patience Clark |
| " 27 | William Taylor Brown | 55 | 3 — | Angina pectoris | William B. and Sarah A. Book |
| " 28 | Cotilda Monish | — | 3 — | Bronchitis | Antone and May Souza |
| " 30 | Ezra Pierce | 77 | 4 18 | Old age heart disease | Branch and Rebecca Bates |
| Dec. 4 | Sarah Jenkins | 91 | 5 23 | Bronchitis | Isaac Cole and Sarah Holmes |
| " 7 | Elizabeth E. Allen | 69 | 11 9 | Heart disease (died in Malden) | William E. Finney and Betsey Hackett |
| " 13 | Josiah Arthur Everett Howard | 20 | 8 3 | Consumption | Josiah B. and Cynthia Burgess |
| " 17 | Francis Loring Wise | 1 | — 17 | Hereditary sick from birth | Oliver L. and Mary L. Dunssett |
| " 17 | Joseph Sylva | — | 11 — | Capillary bronchitis | Mannel and Mary Costa |
| " 18 | Eva G. Nickerson | — | 4 — | Pneumonia | Alfred C. and Delia Nickerson |
| " 18 | Arminia Nickerson | 71 | — 28 | Pneumonia (died in Boston) | Reuben Caloun and Azuba — |
| " 19 | Margaret Viola Pickard | 71 | 2 12 | Gastro enteritis | Simon and Sarah J. Carpenter |
| " 20 | Frank Mangandoli | — | 4 — | Capillary bronchitis | Louis and Theresa Bousalari |
| " 24 | Simeon H. Barrows | 75 | 9 — | General weakness, brain disease | Asa and Fanny Dunham |
| " 30 | | | | | |

SUMMARY.

MARRIAGES.

Number of marriages registered in 1904. Both parties born in—

| | |
|--------------------------|-------|
| United States, | 62 |
| Germany, | 2 |
| Italy, | 22 |
| Western Islands, | 6 |
| Nova Scotia, | 2 |
| Belgium, | 1 |
| Sweden, | 1 |
| Scotland, | 1 |
| Portugal, | 1 |
| England, | 1 |
| Russia, | 1 |
| Mixed, one American, | 21 |
| Mixed, neither American, | 3 |
| Unknown, | 1 |
| | <hr/> |
| | 125 |

BIRTHS.

Number registered—

| | |
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| Males, | 125 |
| Females, | 92 |
| | <hr/> |
| | 217 |

The parentage is as follows:

Both parents born in—

| | |
|--------------------------|-------|
| United States, | 67 |
| France, | 2 |
| Germany, | 12 |
| Italy, | 50 |
| England, | 5 |
| Canada, | 4 |
| Western Islands, | 4 |
| Russia, | 4 |
| Azores, | 5 |
| Ireland, | 3 |
| Nova Scotia, | 6 |
| Prince Edward Island, | 1 |
| Sweden, | 2 |
| Mixed, one American, | 42 |
| Mixed, neither American, | 7 |
| Unknown, | 2 |
| Scotland, | 1 |
| | <hr/> |
| | 217 |

DEATHS.

Number of deaths registered, 200, of which 48 occurred out of town, burial taking place in Plymouth.

Born in—

| | |
|----------------|-----|
| United States, | 154 |
| England, | 7 |
| Ireland, | 8 |
| Scotland, | 3 |
| Azores, | 1 |
| Germany, | 5 |
| Denmark, | 1 |

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|------------------|-------|
| Nova Scotia, | 4 |
| Italy, | 3 |
| Cape Breton, | 1 |
| France, | 1 |
| Russia, | 1 |
| New Foundland, | 1 |
| Norway, | 1 |
| Western Islands, | 5 |
| Canada, | 2 |
| Unknown, | 2 |
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| | 200 |

FIRE DEPARTMENT

To the Board of Selectmen:

The Board of Engineers submit their report for the year 1904.

APPARATUS.

The apparatus of the department is in good condition.

Ladder Truck No. 1 has had a new set of wheels and has been painted.

Steamer No. 2 has had the pumps repaired and has been painted.

Steamer No. 3 has been painted.

Chemical No. 1 has been painted and repaired.

No. 3 Hose Reel has been painted.

Steamer No. 1 has had the pumps repaired.

Steamer No. 1 and Chemical No. 2 need a touching up with paint, and varnishing the coming year.

HOSE.

We have seventy-five hundred feet (7,500) of hose in good condition and seven hundred feet (700) which are to be relined. We recommend the purchase of one thousand feet (1,000) the coming year.

FIRE ALARM SYSTEM.

Four signal boxes have been added to the system this year, making twenty-five (25) in all. They are located as follows:

No. 8—Cor. Vernon and Allerton streets.

No. 47—Cor. Mayflower and Jefferson streets.

No. 48—Near O. Burgess' house, Warren Ave.

No. 49—Cor. Cliff street and Warren Ave.

FLUSH HYDRANTS.

Most of the flush hydrants are in poor condition, two having been taken out and replaced by post hydrants. Those in the south part of the town, from Market street to Warren avenue have been discarded on the old line of pipe. Three have had new boxes and a number in different parts of the town will have to be replaced by post hydrants the coming year.

POST HYDRANTS.

Eighteen (18) hydrants and one (1) top have been bought this year. Ten (10) and one (1) top have been bought by the Fire Department. Eight hydrants and one top have been set and two remain to be set, one at the corner of Summer and Spring streets and one in the neighborhood of T. R. Watson's, Summer street. Eight were set by the Water Department, the cost coming out of the appropriation on the new line of pipe on Union and Lothrop streets.

We recommend an appropriation of \$600 for new hydrants.

HORSE SERVICE.

The horse service at the Central Station is very poor.

We earnestly recommend that a suitable addition be built to the Central engine house and that horses owned by the town be kept there and worked in conjunction with the Street Department. New quarters which are sadly needed could be provided for, a battery room on the second floor,

the present one is in the basement. The limit of room has been reached and with constant addition to the fire alarm system, a new location in the building is an absolute necessity.

The horse service at the South Street station is all that could be desired with one exception. While the steamer is drawn by horses, the hose-reel is pulled by men, yet the hose should be on hand as quickly as the steamer at a fire, a hose wagon is what is wanted; then if a fire breaks out in the vicinity of Cliff street or Hotel Pilgrim, the crew will be in good working order when they reach the fire.

We recommend a hose wagon for the South Street house.

Ladder truck No. 2 is in a very poor place in town square. It was moved from the basement of the Town House because the police department needed more room. The truck requires warm quarters because the ladders get badly iced up at fires in cold weather. It ought to have suitable housing and its place is in the Central Station after the addition has been built.

We recommend an addition to the Central Station.

FINANCIAL.

Appropriation—

| | | |
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| Annual, | \$7,000 00 | |
| Hose, | 1,200 00 | |
| Repairs on buildings, | 500 00 | |
| Signal boxes, | 600 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$9,300 00 |

Payments—

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| Horse hire, | \$1,455 41 |
| Coal and kindling, | 564 76 |
| Fire alarm system, including new boxes, | 892 60 |
| Lighting buildings, | 320 13 |

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| Hydrants, | 365 00 | |
| Water department and bill, | 305 42 | |
| Pay roll of department, | 2,513 82 | |
| Hose, | 1,594 44 | |
| Janitors, | 306 26 | |
| Sundries, | 2,004 04 | |
| | <hr/> | \$10,321 88 |
| Overdrawn, | | <hr/> \$1,021 88 |

We recommend an appropriation of \$11,500 00 to meet the expenses of the department in the coming year.

E. D. BARTLETT,
Chief.

I. L. HEDGE,
Clerk.

BOARD OF ENGINEERS.

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|-----------------|-----------------|
| E. D. Bartlett. | J. E. Sullivan |
| G. E. Saunders. | J. S. Kierstead |
| I. L. Hedge. | |

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF CEMETERIES.

Following is the report of the Superintendent of Cemeteries:

Since making my last report a substantial fence has been completed entirely around the cemeteries and the wooden portion of it has been painted.

The Samoset Street entrance has been set with granite posts, and the usual amount of grading and cleaning has been done and in many ways the appearance and general condition of the cemeteries has been materially and permanently improved. Each year, however, the amount of labor necessary to keep the cemeteries in a presentable condition seems to increase and much work which ought to be done is necessarily postponed to the succeeding year. The fencing now being completed, more can be done the coming season and much may be added that will result in the permanent beautifying of the grounds. I recommend an appropriation of one thousand dollars for cemeteries for the ensuing year.

The conditions upon Burial Hill have also been materially improved, a fence has been completed around the Hill and a new gate at the Russell Street entrance. Owing to the large numbers of people visiting here every summer the cost of keeping these grounds clean has increased during the past few years. Some stone wall needs to be laid in the near future and there are many old gravestones that must

be repaired and preserved. These historic slabs are of more interest to our visitors than to our townspeople and should be preserved at once before they get beyond repair.

In view of the necessary work to be done and the absolute necessity of at least making a beginning towards preserving the chief attractions of the Hill, viz: the historic headstones, I recommend an appropriation for Burial Hill for the ensuing year, of six hundred dollars.

Respectfully submitted.

E. F. STRANGER,

Supt. of Cemeteries and Burial Hill.

BOARD OF HEALTH.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

1904.

During the past year there have been two cases of diphtheria, seventeen cases of scarlet fever, thirty-eight cases of typhoid fever and one hundred and eleven cases of measles, making a total of one hundred and sixty-eight cases of contagious diseases. There have been fewer cases of diphtheria and scarlet fever than last year, but more cases of typhoid fever and measles. It has never been the custom to disinfect after cases of measles, but the great number of cases which occurred during the past year leads the board to believe that it would be better to disinfect after cases of measles. Aside from the great number of cases of measles, the board has had as its most serious work that of controlling typhoid fever. The board has acted not upon its own advice or suggestions, but in conjunction with the State Board of Health, and with the practicing physicians in town. In some cases there has been some feeling shown because of the action of the board in condemning buildings and places where the board thought typhoid fever germs existed. The feeling among the citizens of the town and among many summer residents, whose property is situated here, many of whom came in contact with the disease, became so strong that the State Board of Health was called to act in conjunction with this board, and all possible sources from which this contagion could arise were examined, in-

vestigated, and in one case upon petition of leading citizens who came in contact with the probable source, a barn on Cliff street was burned, and certain elements said to be a probable source of this contagion were removed and buried. Since this time but two cases of typhoid fever have been reported to the secretary of the board, and in both of these cases it was apparent that the infection took place outside of our town.

A petition was received by the Board of Health, asking that an investigation be made relative to the pollution of Eel River water. Said petition was referred to the State Board of Health. The cause of said pollution was alleged by the petitioners to be due to the waste products coming from the Rubber Mills. The following is the result of said investigation by the State Board of Health.

Gentlemen :—

“The State Board of Health has considered your communication received October 24, relative to the pollution of the water of Eel River in Plymouth by waste products from the rubber factory, in which you request the Board to make an examination of the pollution of the river by these wastes, and in accordance with this request the Board caused the locality to be examined by one of its engineers and a sample of the water of the river to be analyzed.

“As a result of the examination it appeared that a considerable quantity of acid was used in the factory and that wastes containing organic matter from the processes employed were discharged into the stream. These wastes did not, however, have a very noticeable effect upon the stream at the time this examination was made, and a chemical analysis of a sample of water collected from the river below the works did not show that the water was being seriously polluted. It is possible that the quantity of wastes discharged may be greater at other times or that in dry weather, when the flow of the stream is small, the stream or its

banks may be affected by these waste matters to such an extent as to cause complaint on account of an objectionable appearance or odor."

The water at Pilgrim Spring and Cold Spring has been analyzed by the State Board of Health and in each case no impurities were found and is considered safe for public use.

During the past year the expense for the inspection of plumbing has been \$950, which in our opinion is too much for a town of this size, and we are now considering the means by which this expense can be reduced.

During the year a board of examiners of plumbers was appointed, consisting of: William Brown, Thomas Harney and Percy Lothrop. This board has examined five applicants.

The following were given journeymen plumber's licenses:

Arthur A. Sampson.

John Sullivan.

William Carr.

Freeman Brown.

Thomas Harney.

Henry Reinhardt.

H. P. Bailey.

Philip Mahler.

Arthur L. Bailey.

Fred P. Bailey.

Fred R. Spates.

Harry Benson.

Fred Sampson.

Albert Rich.

The following were given master plumbers' licenses:

Hathaway & Sampson.

C. T. Harris & Son.

W. H. H. Weston.

H. P. Bailey & Bro.

William W. Myrick.

William Carr.

Freeman Brown.

Ernest L. Basset.

Reginald Morton.

There has been more or less disregard to the laws on slaughtering animals for food, but we intend to make everybody comply strictly to the law in the future. It has been necessary to ask a large number of people to connect with the sewer, among which have been all who own houses on Cherry street.

We have received about two hundred complaints of nuisances. The following nuisances have been abated:

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| Privys, | 54 |
| Sewer water, | 2 |
| Sink drain, | 38 |
| Swill nuisances, | 3 |
| Rubbish dumps, | 6 |
| Barns, | 13 |
| Bad odors, | 5 |
| Hennery, | 1 |
| Beach nuisances, | 5 |
| Pig pens, | 4 |
| Dead animals, | 6 |
| Miscellaneous, | 33 |
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There have been quite a number of complaints about nuisances which did not actually exist.

The board realize that for the safety of public health more rigid inspection of cow barns is necessary, and it is our intention to see that all cow barns are kept as clean and sanitary as possible.

The following is a statement of the expenditures made by the Board of Health during the year:

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| Agent and inspector, salary, | \$215 47 |
| Secretary, salary and expenses, | 31 50 |
| Labor on public dumps, | 19 50 |
| Services of physicians, | 10 00 |
| Inspection of plumbing, | 950 60 |
| Printing, | 90 25 |
| Nurses in contagious diseases, and expenses, | 256 05 |
| Boards for placards, | 5 00 |
| Telephone and express, | 7 10 |
| Burying animals, | 30 00 |
| Medicines, disinfectants, supplies furnished in contagious diseases, | 38 20 |
| Horse hire, | 45 75 |
| C. W. Lanman, ice suspected of typhoid, | 291 80 |
| Anthony Atwood, ice suspected of typhoid, | 110 00 |
| For expenses incurred with the burning of the Finney barn, | 81 25 |
| Aid in contagious diseases. | 6 00 |

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| Received for licenses, | \$14 50 |
| Received from sale of formaldehyde, | 9 20 |

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| | \$2,164 77 |
| Appropriation, | 1,000 00 |

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| Deficiency, | \$1,164 77 |
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The inspection of plumbing—an expense of \$950, which was additional to the expense of the regular work has caused a considerable deficiency.

We recommend an appropriation of \$1,800 for the coming year with an additional \$1,164.77 for the deficiency.

JOHN F. CALLANAN,
H. L. MOLTER,
PERCY LOTHROP.

Board of Health.

PLYMOUTH PUBLIC LIBRARY.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS.

The directors of the library make the following report of the work of the Library during the past year, and of its present condition.

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| Bound volumes added for circulation in 1904, | 228 |
| Bound volumes added for reference in 1904, | 47 |
| Unbound volumes and pamphlets added, | 121 |
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| Total number of additions, | 396 |

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| Number of volumes for circulation, Jan. 1, 1904, | 12,190 |
| Number of volumes for circulation added in 1904, | 228 |
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| Withdrawn from circulation in 1904, | 121 |
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| Total number for circulation, Jan. 1, 1905, | 12,297 |
| Number of volumes in reference | |
| department, Jan. 1, 1904, | 2,658 |
| Volumes added in 1904, | 47 |
| By binding pamphlets, | 5 |
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| Total number of volumes for reference, | 2,710 |
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| Total number of volumes in library, Jan. 1, 1905, | 15,007 |

Books given out for circulation during 1904—

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| General Works, | 694 |
| Philosophy, | 43 |
| Theology, | 200 |
| Sociology, | 182 |
| Language, | 24 |
| Natural Science, | 323 |
| Useful Arts, | 150 |
| Fine Arts, | 278 |
| Literature, | 783 |
| Travels, | 522 |
| Biography, | 738 |
| History, | 593 |
| Fiction, | 21,946 |

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| Total circulation for 1904, | 26,476 |
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Periodicals provided for the use of the public—

Harper's Monthly.
 Harper's Weekly.
 Atlantic Monthly.
 Century Magazine.
 Scribner's Magazine.
 New England Magazine.
 McClure's Magazine.
 St. Nicholas.
 North American Review.
 Forum.
 Popular Science Monthly.
 Scientific American.
 Scientific American supplement.
 Cosmopolitan.
 Bookman.
 Outlook.
 Country Life (English)
 Country Life in America.

World's Work.
Review of Reviews.
Everybody's Magazine.
Masters in Art.
Literary Digest.
Youth's Companion.
New York Tribune.
Boston Transcript.
Woodland and Roadside.
Old Colony Memorial*.
Plymouth Observer*.
American Journal of Archæology†.
Forestry and Irrigation†.
Woodland and Roadside†.
Indian's Friend†.
Museum of Fine Arts Bulletin, gift of the Museum.
Library Journal, to be had on application.
Public libraries, to be had on application.

*Gift of the publishers.

†Gift of Dr. Helen Morton.

The directors desire to express their gratitude to the ladies of the "Book Club" who, with their customary generosity, have kindly donated to the Library during the past year, 55 volumes of the best works of fiction, biography and history.

By means of the "Bodley Library," the Library has been able to have the use of a large number of the best works of fiction, without making them a permanent addition to the Library at a large expense.

Miss Mary G. Bartlett and other friends have made additional gifts to the large collection of mounted photographs

which now number over 5,000, and comprise one of the most valuable and useful features of the Library. The use of the Reading Room has largely increased, and the public are cordially invited to avail themselves of its use for quiet reading both day time and evening.

For the Directors,

WILLIAM HEDGE, *President*.

Plymouth, Feb. 1, 1905.

SIXTEENTH ANNUAL

REPORT OF THE PARK COMMISSIONERS.

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| Appropriation for overdraft, | \$120 27 |
| Appropriation for 1904, | 750 00 |
| Income of Morton fund, | 100 00 |
| Sale of wood, | 39 87 |
| Reimbursement (error in bill) | 4 50 |
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| Overdrawn, 1903, | \$120 27 |
| Payments, 1904, | 549 01 |
| Balance to credit account, | 345 36 |
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The modest appropriation made by the town for its public parks is little more than enough to keep them in tolerable order. The money is mostly expended for repairs of roads and for maintenance, which includes cutting the grass at Bates' Park, the care of the waiting room at Beach Park, etc.

In order to develop a seedling, and consequently long lived, growth of trees at Morton Park, which shall take the place of the stump growth that soon decays, it has been customary to cut out each year from a section of the park the inferior stump growth.

This work has been paid for in part by the sale of the wood so cut, but the trimmings yield less merchantable wood

from year to year because the proportion of young sprouts to be removed increases.

If we depend upon natural seeding in the growth will eventually become white and pitch pine, for the seedling deciduous trees now growing are relatively few in number and will be insufficient to make a suitable variety for a public park. The white pine trees have been systematically encouraged, and groves of these and of pitch pines may well find places in the park, but it is not desirable to make the whole park of this character, and the time may come when the pines will need to be kept within bounds.

As the oaks will not replace themselves in kind, except with a constantly deteriorating growth of coppice, your commissioners desire to plant small seedlings, of oak and other trees suitable to the location, so that, when the stump growth fails, a mixed stand of seedling trees shall take its place in condition to improve for generations and to restore to this park the beauty of the primeval forest.

During the winter of 1903-4 the usual thinning was done, but the work caused a considerable overdraft of the account, much to our regret. It is not easy to carry on the park work spasmodically. The men employed naturally wish to make each day count, and unless they can depend upon work in the parks, they must seek it elsewhere. It seemed best, therefore, to give up all work this winter rather than to overdraw again and, partly for this reason, there is a balance to the credit of the account. The balance is increased by the income from the Morton fund, which income is to be used for special purposes by the terms of the gift.

Sufficient contributions were received during the year from the friends of the park and of Mr. Morton to make possible the building of the proposed bridge over the brook, above "Bill Holmes Dam," and the approaches thereto. The stone arch and roadway were finished during the summer and the old way, with its sharp grade and unsafe wooden bridge, was discontinued. The parapets of the bridge are

contracted for, and a simple fence, with stone posts contributed by the town, is to extend along the approaches. It is hoped that it will be possible to place a tablet on one of the parapets with a suitable inscription.

The visitor to Morton Park, in our generation, needs no inscription to hold the name of its founder in grateful and affectionate remembrance. Nathaniel Morton gave to it so much of his time and of himself that, to those who knew him, the beauty of this place must always recall his generosity, foresight and public spirit. But while the park itself is his most fitting memorial, it is desirable that a permanent record of his services be made on "Morton Bridge."

During the coming year it will be necessary to build a culvert under the road across the south-easterly end of "Cotton Factory Meadow" in accordance with the terms of agreement made with the owners of the adjacent land when this part of the park came into possession of the town.

In the summer of 1904 Mr. Henry Hornblower placed a small building on Beach Park for the purpose of storing boating utensils. Assuming that there would be no objection, he moved this building onto the park lands at his own risk. When he found that the park commissioners could give him no permission to occupy park lands, he admitted that he has no rights there, and agreed to remove the building whenever he shall be requested to do so by your commissioners. There has been a general improvement in the appearance of this part of Beach Park since Mr. Hornblower's building was placed there, but your commissioners reserve the right to order its removal at any time.

TRAINING GREEN.

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| Appropriation to cover 1903 overdraft, | \$16 63 |
| Appropriation for 1904, | 175 00 |
| Overdrawn, 1904, | 6 55 |
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| Overdrawn, 1903, | \$16 63 | |
| Expenditures, 1904, | 181 55 | |
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| | | \$198 18 |

Training Green was well cared for as usual by Mr. Branch E. Blackmer. The grass was thoroughly rolled with a heavy roller, which work caused a small overdraft, as the account shows.

We recommend the usual appropriations of \$750 for parks, and \$175 for Training Green.

Appended is the account of the cost of Morton Bridge to date.

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| Jan. 1. | |
| Deposit in bank to credit of account, | \$65 00 |
| Amount of cash subscriptions, | 568 00 |

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| Paid for stone work, | \$175 00 | |
| Paid for filling approaches, | 393 00 | |
| Bills payable, | 7 49 | |
| Balance applicable to completion of bridge. | 57 51 | |
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| | | \$633 00 |

To the cost of building the approaches should be added a day's work freely contributed by each of the men engaged thereon.

REPORT OF FORESTER.

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| Undrawn balance, | \$1,749 02 |
| Appropriation, | 250 00 |
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| Expenditures, | \$510 65 |
| Balance to credit of account, | 1,488 37 |
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During 1904 thirty-seven fires in the woods were reported, and put out with the help of men paid by the town. Firewards also started for two fires which proved to be a short distance beyond the limits of the town.

The bills paid by the town on account of these thirty-seven fires amounted to \$405.05, or an average of \$10.95 per fire. In addition to this there were small expenses for chemicals which can only be estimated, perhaps fifty cents per fire.

While there was a slight increase in the number of fires over 1903, the amount charged to the contingent account for extinguishing them was thirty per cent. less than in that year.

Of these fires nineteen were traced to the Plymouth and Middleboro R. R. and these cost the town \$182.85, exclusive of chemicals, or about forty-five per cent. of the total expense. This amount will probably be refunded by the railroad company, in accordance with their usual custom, as a matter of justice and policy.

One fire escaped from a cranberry bog where employees were burning brush, and the cost of this fire added to that of the railroad fires, makes the sum in which the town should be reimbursed one-half the cost for the year.

Most of the other seventeen fires were undoubtedly caused by the carelessness of persons passing through the woods or along the roadways. There is reason to believe that several were of incendiary origin. The only one that was traced with certainty was set by a young boy attempting to do a little cooking. As the act was not malicious, he was not prosecuted.

The most serious fire of the year started from the railroad at the bridge over the Plympton road, and was driven by a strong west wind to Sparrows Hill, a change of wind to southwest, sending a branch fire toward the north part of the town. When this fire started few of our regular men were within reach, and the apparatus had to be sent out with a scratch crew after some delay. In consequence of the delay and the strong wind, the fire crossed the fire belt on the Carver road before the equipment could be put in action, and the burned area was largely increased in consequence. This fire cost the town \$108.49, and the railroad company sent large gangs of men at its own expense.

The other eighteen railroad fires attended by our men cost the town, on an average, only \$4.13, a record which shows that the men were vigilant and prompt, and worked effectively as a rule.

The town is largely dependent on the public spirit and love of the woods of many citizens for services which are never paid for. There is no record of the time devoted to watching for fires at dangerous seasons, and the services of the fire wards and earnest workers are seldom properly rewarded by the payment allowed for their time. These men continue to serve from year to year, notwithstanding personal inconveniences and sacrifices, but it is difficult to find re-

cruits for this service to take the places of those who are compelled to give up the work.

The death of Benjamin Whiting, and the resignation of Samuel Bradford, removed from the force two men who had worked long and faithfully for the town. Mr. Bradford was in active service up to the time of his resignation, and had given of his time unstintedly. He certainly had earned the right to retire.

As there seemed to be no chance that a fire wagon could be properly located at Manomet, several small equipments were distributed among persons who consented to serve as fire wards there. Portions of this district can be easily reached by the wagon at Indian Brook. An equipment of this kind makes an admirable protection for buildings in a country village, and if the wagon cannot be properly located at Manomet it should be stationed at Eel River. Every year cases come to the attention of the forester, where incipient house fires are put out by fire wards with the aid of our extinguishers.

During the year the State established the office of state forester, and the governor appointed a trained forester to the office. It is, perhaps, natural that the first care of the new official should be to stimulate forest growth, and to guard against the insect ravages which are so serious in the neighborhood of Boston. Later we hope there will be time to systemize the work of preventing and extinguishing fires; for, if this danger can be minimized, we can hope for earnest endeavors towards the re-forestation of our waste lands and the judicious use of the timber that remains standing.

The last two winters have been so severe and accompanied by so much snow that little work could be done to advantage on fire belts. For this reason the balance to the credit of the forester's account, is sufficient for probable expenses, and no appropriation is asked for.

G. R. BRIGGS, *Forester.*

REPORT OF TREE WARDEN.

TREE WARDEN ACCOUNT.

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| Undrawn balance, | \$510 62 |
| Appropriation, | 500 00 |
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| Expenditures, | \$847 51 | |
| Balance to credit of account, | 163 11 | |
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Following the policy outlined in my last report, a careful search of the town was made for the nests of brown-tail moths. It would seem that these should be easily removed, but it was found difficult to conduct the search so thoroughly as to result in extermination. Owners of trees can help greatly by removing and burning nests on their own premises, or by locating the nests and notifying the tree-warden, or the men conducting the search. Our work was helped by the backward spring, and we believe very few nests escaped destruction.

During the summer a strong north wind brought a cloud of moths into the town. Other towns and cities to the north of us had similar visitations on the same night. These moths, attracted by the arc lights, gathered mostly in the

central parts of the town, and doubtless laid many eggs there. The nests are easily seen on the fruit trees in our gardens, and occasionally on shade trees. It is important to cut off and destroy these nests. They do not appear more numerous than last year, and it is certainly good policy to destroy them each year, and so prevent the distressing and disgusting results of a reign of these caterpillars.

After the brown-tail's nests were destroyed something was accomplished toward ridding our roadsides of tent-caterpillars by removing most of the infected and diseased wild cherry trees.

A number of young trees were set out during the year, noticeably on Bay View avenue, which now boasts two rows of thrifty, young maples. Two sturdy young elms of considerable size, kindly given to the town by Mrs. Charles L. Jones and Albert R. Raymond, were planted on either side of Court street, near Chilton street, to replace old trees that had died.

There are always places where it is desirable to plant larger trees than can readily be obtained at nurseries, and contributions of such are always acceptable when they can be secured with good roots.

The elm leaf beetle was held in check with comparatively little trouble, the work being mostly confined to spraying the trunks of trees with kerosene emulsion in midsummer.

Judging from the experience of last year, the sum of one thousand dollars should be available for the work of the tree warden. There is a balance to the credit of the account of about one hundred and fifty dollars, and an appropriation of eight hundred and fifty dollars is recommended.

G. R. BRIGGS, *Tree Warden*.

INSPECTION OF ANIMALS.

During the spring and summer months we have had two days a week for slaughtering animals at the slaughter house, Mondays and Thursdays.

In May a butcher's license was granted to E. D. Jordan to slaughter pigs at his place in Chiltonville.

June 1st. I was called to Manomet to see a cow suspected of tuberculosis. June 14th, a complaint was received about some calves being killed on Sandwich street, and sold, which were too young. The persons were informed in regard to the law, and were granted a license to slaughter animals.

In June a license was granted to Fred Wood of Manomet to slaughter animals in Manomet.

During the month of July, Dr. Lothrop and I spent four mornings going about looking at the sanitary arrangements of stables where cows are kept and milk offered for sale.

In August Dr. Lothrop of the Board of Health, and I visited the cow stables on Sandwich street.

In September thirteen cows were brought from out of the state for E. D. Jordan, which I identified and released from quarantine. September 12, Dr. Lothrop and I visited the stables on South street and vicinity.

At the first of October I received a notice from Dr. Austin Peters, Chief of Cattle Bureau, to make an inspection of the cattle in my district to be completed before November 15.

The following questions were to be answered in regards to each stable:

Size of building in which cattle are stabled; Feet long? Feet wide? Feet high?

Size of stable or part of building devoted to cattle; Feet long? Feet wide? Feet high?

Is soil under stable wet or dry?

Is stable on north, south, east or west side of building?

Is stable on ground floor, on floor over cellar, or in cellar or basement?

What is width of open space in front of cattle? Of space behind cattle?

Number of cattle occupying this stable?

Has stable good light, bad light, or no light?

Has it good ventilation, bad or no ventilation?

Is stable clean, unclean or filthy?

What is done with manure?

What is source of water supply?

Is water good, fair or bad?

Has tuberculosis been located in this stable during the past year?

If yes, have premises been properly cleansed and disinfected?

What improvements have been made since last inspection?

Do the animals appear free from contagious disease?

Are they otherwise apparently healthy?

Are they kept clean?

Is general condition good, poor or bad?

Inspected 174 stables, 376 cows, 21 sheep, 111 young cattle, 17 bulls, 241 goats and 789 pigs.

Most of the cattle were in good condition and kept fairly clean, a few stables are over-crowded, with little or no light, and in some places the drainage is far from what it should be, the stables are not kept as clean as they should be, and in many cases the manure is allowed to remain in the stable too long before being removed.

On October 24 three cases of glanders were found in Kingston, and the public watering troughs in Plymouth

were shut off for three weeks and thoroughly washed several times.

During the winter months we have been using the slaughter house every day except Saturday and Sunday.

November 11 thirteen head of cattle arrived for E. D. Jordan, from other states and were released from quarantine.

During the past year I have inspected the following number of animals:

At slaughter house, 56 calves, 8 head cattle, 172 pigs.

At private residences, 11 calves, 14 head cattle, 87 pigs.

Total inspected for year, 67 calves, 22 head cattle, 259 pigs.

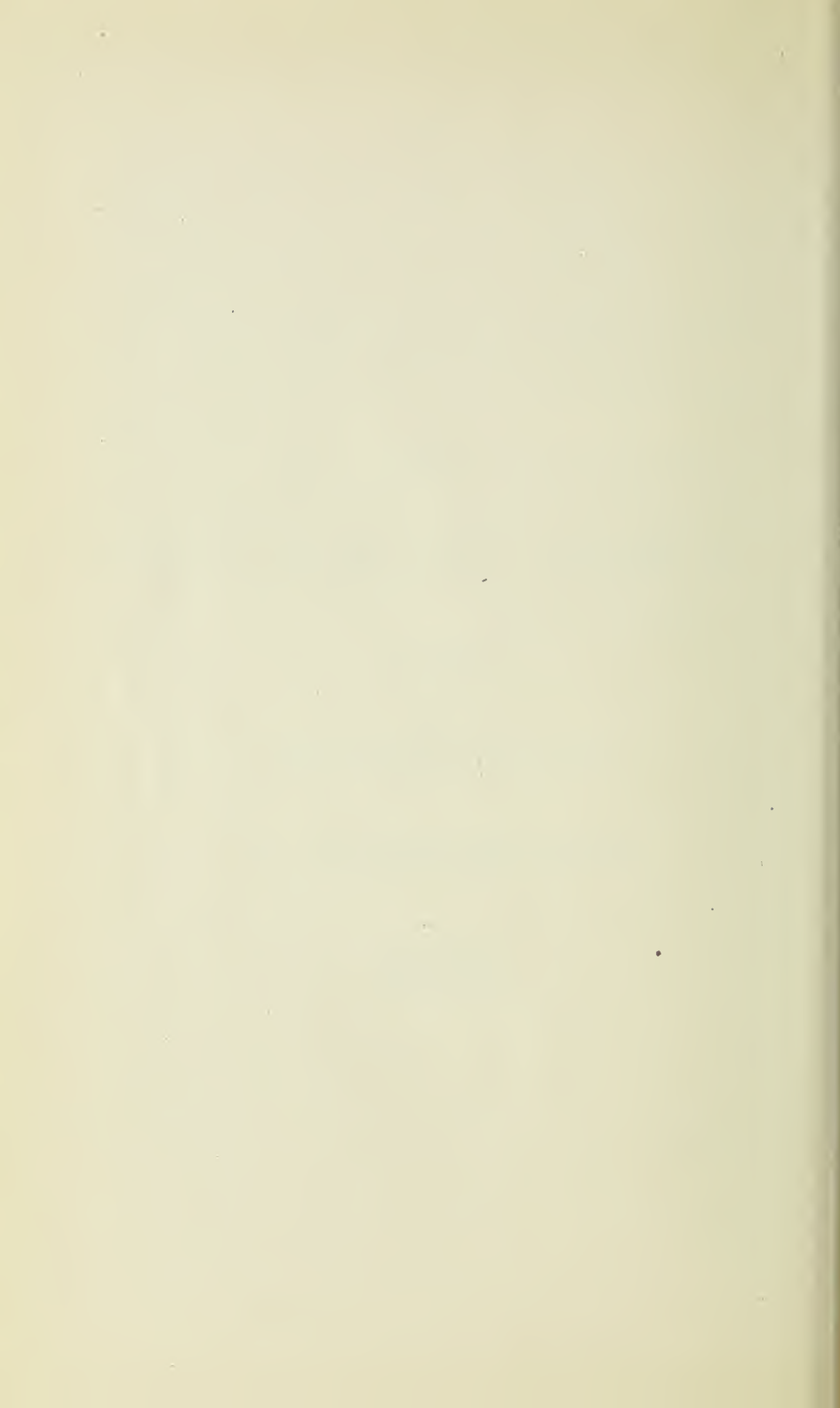
FREDERICK H. BRADLEY,

Inspector of Animals.

EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
CHIEF OF POLICE

FOR THE
Town of Plymouth
For the Year Ending Dec. 31

1904



POLICE DEPARTMENT.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen—

I have the honor to present for your consideration a detailed statement of the service rendered by the Plymouth Police Department for the year ending Dec. 31, 1904.

Arrests.

| | Males. | Females. | Total. |
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| No. in January, | 25 | 2 | 27 |
| No. in February, | 10 | 2 | 12 |
| No. in March, | 11 | 2 | 13 |
| No. in April, | 10 | 2 | 12 |
| No. in May, | 68 | 2 | 70 |
| No. in June, | 54 | 1 | 55 |
| No. in July, | 62 | | 62 |
| No. in August, | 75 | 3 | 78 |
| No. in September, | 51 | 1 | 52 |
| No. in October, | 72 | 1 | 73 |
| No. in November, | 40 | 4 | 44 |
| No. in December, | 19 | | 19 |
| Total, | 497 | 20 | 517 |

Offences for which arrests were made.

| | Males. | Females. | Total |
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| Assault, | 20 | | 20 |
| Assault on officer, | 4 | | 4 |
| Assault with dangerous weapon, | 2 | | 2 |
| Arrested on capias, | 1 | | 1 |

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| Arested on suspicion, | 6 | | 6 |
| Attempt at rape, | 1 | | 1 |
| Bastardy, | 3 | | 3 |
| Bonfire in street, | 1 | | 1 |
| Riding bicycle on side- walk, | 3 | | 3 |
| Breaking and entering, | 1 | | 1 |
| Disturbance on cars, | 2 | | 2 |
| Disturbance of peace, | 14 | | 14 |
| Disorderly, | 1 | | 1 |
| Disorderly house, | 1 | | 1 |
| Drunk, | 361 | 5 | 366 |
| Embezzlement, | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| Evading car fare, | 1 | | 1 |
| Fast riding on bicycle, | 3 | | 3 |
| Felonious assault, | 1 | | 1 |
| Forgery, | 1 | | 1 |
| Fornication, | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Indecent exposure, | 1 | | 1 |
| Inmates disorderly house, | | 2 | 2 |
| Insane, | 6 | 7 | 13 |
| Interfering with officer, | 1 | | 1 |
| Keeping minor from school, | 1 | | 1 |
| Larceny, | 7 | 1 | 8 |
| Liquor nuisance, | 4 | | 4 |
| Lodging, | 3 | | 3 |
| Non-support, | 3 | | 3 |
| Peddling without license, | 3 | | 3 |
| Resisting officer, | 1 | | 1 |
| Stubborn child, | | 2 | 2 |
| Tramps, | 5 | | 5 |
| Using threatening lan- guage, | 1 | | 1 |
| Violation town by-laws, | 18 | 1 | 19 |

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| Violation clam laws, | 4 | | 4 |
| Violation game laws, | 6 | | 6 |
| Violation Lord's day, | 1 | | 1 |
| Violation State Law, | 2 | | |
| | <hr/> 497 | <hr/> 20 | <hr/> 517 |

| | | |
|---|---------|-----|
| Males, | 497 | |
| Females, | 20 | |
| Adults, | 500 | |
| Minors, | 17 | |
| Residents, | 273 | |
| Non-residents, | 244 | |
| Number of fines imposed, | | 385 |
| Amount of fines imposed, | \$3,123 | 29 |
| Amount of fines paid, | 2,229 | 05 |
| Committed to jail for non-payment of fines, | | 12 |
| Committed to State Farm, Bridgewater, | | 9 |
| Committed to Lancaster School, | | 1 |
| Committed to women's reformatory, | | |
| Prison at Sherborn for 2 years, | | 5 |
| Committed to Westboro, | | 1 |
| Committed to Waverley, | | 2 |
| Committed to Dipsomaniac Hospital, Foxboro, | | 2 |
| Committed to Taunton Insane Hospital, | | 10 |
| Defaulted, | | 11 |
| Discharged, | | 27 |
| Placed on file, | | 8 |
| Put on probation, | | 20 |
| Appealed cases, | | 12 |

Nationality of persons arrested:

| | |
|----------|----|
| Canada, | 5 |
| England, | 18 |
| Finland, | 24 |
| France, | 19 |
| Germany, | 15 |

| | |
|----------------|-------|
| Ireland, | 28 |
| Italy, | 29 |
| New Brunswick, | 5 |
| Portugal, | 14 |
| Russia, | 10 |
| Scotland, | 8 |
| Sweden, | 2 |
| Syria, | 3 |
| United States, | 304 |
| Unknown, | 33 |
| | <hr/> |
| Total, | 517 |

Roster of the police force:

Benj. F. Goddard,
 Michael Casey,
 Augustine J. Hogan,
 Samuel J. Ferguson,
 Edward Manter,
 William H. Goedecke,
 Freeman Manter.

During the present year the Police Station has been enlarged, affording more light, better circulation of air and improved sanitary conditions. Two portable steel cages of modern construction, each containing two cells, have been added, making at present seven cells, a much needed and marked improvement.

Since 1902 the police force has been increased until there are now seven men. The town has grown rapidly in population and more men are needed to properly patrol the

streets than formerly, for a crime is very seldom committed in the presence of an officer.

The life of a community is sometimes gauged by the police court record, as well as by its manufactures, for where there is life and business activity, there must also be the inevitable accompaniments of vice and crime.

Strangers visiting the town, while remarking on its activity, have also commented on the general peace and good order. I assume that this is not owing wholly to police supervision, or through fear of the law, but rather an evidence of the earnestness of our citizens to have a peaceful and orderly community.

Respectfully submitted,
BENJ. F. GODDARD,
Chief of Police.

REPORT

OF THE

Water Commissioners,
Superintendent

AND

Collector of Water Rates

OF THE

TOWN OF PLYMOUTH

1904

WATER COMMISSIONERS.

JOHN H. DAMON—Term expires March, 1907.

JOHN W. CHURCHILL—Term expires March, 1906.

EVERETT F. SHERMAN—Term expires March 1906.

CHARLES T. HOLMES—Term expires March, 1905.

HORACE P. BAILEY—Term expires, March, 1905.

Superintendent—Arthur E. Blackmer.

Assistant Superintendent—Richard W. Bagnell.

Water Register—N. Reeves Jackson.

Engineer of Pumping Station—George H. Phillips.

Assistant Engineer at Pumping Station—Albert E. Caswell.

All applications for water must be made at the office of the Water Commissioners.

Superintendent's office in rear of Engine House, Main street.

Telephone call—119-3.

Rates payable at the Town Treasurer's office, semi-annually, in advance, May 1 and November 1.

Meeting of the Commissioners to examine bills and claims against the Department, the FIRST WEDNESDAY EVENING of each month.

Bills against the Department must be rendered on or before the first Wednesday of each month, or they will lie over until the following month.

Approved bills paid by the Town Treasurer at the Town office.

REPORT OF WATER COMMISSIONERS.

The Water Commissioners herewith submit their 50th Annual Report:—

RECEIPTS.

| | |
|-----------------------------|-------------|
| Balance on hand, | \$2,456 52 |
| Water rates, domestic, | 26,165 32 |
| Water rates, manufacturing, | 1,702 00 |
| Labor and material, | 1,054 17 |
| Miscellaneous, | 241 40 |
| Note issue, | 1,440 00 |
| Appropriation, | 3,500 00 |
| Overdrawn balance, | 5,606 65 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$42,166 06 |

EXPENDITURES.

| | |
|--------------------------|-------------|
| Maintenance, | \$8,836 70 |
| Pump, | 3,062 66 |
| Bonds and interest, | 13,037 46 |
| Extension of mains, | 9,972 04 |
| Extension of services, | 307 85 |
| Expended at new station, | 6,949 35 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$42,166 06 |

PUMPING STATION.

| | |
|-----------|------------|
| Salaries, | \$1,343 31 |
| Labor, | 33 00 |

| | |
|---|------------|
| Materials and supplies, | 117 48 |
| Fuel and light, | 1,391 89 |
| Rental, heating, lighting engineer's house, | 141 88 |
| Freight and trucking, | 3 45 |
| Parts and repairs to machinery, | 31 65 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$3,062 66 |

MAINTENANCE.

| | |
|--|------------|
| Salaries, | \$2,250 00 |
| Labor, | 3,548 00 |
| Horse hire and electric car tickets, | 732 50 |
| Carting water, | 294 65 |
| Repairing Little South Abut., | 197 37 |
| Lowering pipe on Summer street, | 112 00 |
| Stationery, stamps and printing, | 106 10 |
| Rental storehouse, | 75 00 |
| Packing, duck, lead and oil, | 145 99 |
| W. T. Eldridge, ins., | 74 25 |
| Tools bought and repaired, | 75 74 |
| Street department labor, | 69 00 |
| Freight, express and trucking, | 62 25 |
| Telephone, | 44 35 |
| Fuel and light, | 39 61 |
| Stove for office, | 12 00 |
| Rubber boots and mittens, | 22 44 |
| Cement, | 138 31 |
| Corporations, stops, gates, boxes, etc., | 837 20 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$8,836 70 |

BONDS.

| | |
|---------------------------------------|------------|
| Bond paid on issue, June 1, 1885, | \$2,800 00 |
| Bond paid on issue, August 1, 1890, | 1,300 00 |
| Bond paid on issue, February 3, 1894, | 240 00 |

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|--------------------------------------|------------------|
| Bond paid on issue, August 1, 1894, | 800 00 |
| Bond paid on issue, October 2, 1899, | 1,500 00 |
| Bond paid on issue, May 1, 1900, | 1,000 00 |
| Bond paid on issue, July 1, 1903, | 666 66 |
| Total bonds paid, | <hr/> \$8,306 66 |

INTEREST.

| | |
|---|------------------|
| Interest paid on issue, June 1, 1885, | \$1,176 00 |
| Interest paid on issue, August 1, 1890, | 728 00 |
| Interest paid on issue, February 3, 1894, | 4 80 |
| Interest paid on issue, August 1, 1894, | 512 00 |
| Interest paid on issue, October 2, 1899, | 960 00 |
| Interest paid on issue, May 1, 1901, | 612 50 |
| Interest paid on issue, July 1, 1903, | 737 50 |
| Total interest paid, | <hr/> \$4,730 80 |
| Bonds and interest, | \$13,037 46 |

Since rendering our last report the pumping station then in process of construction has been completed and the contractor settled with in full. All that now remains to be done to complete the new arrangements, is to remodel the old pumping station for the use of the engineers.

This will be done as soon as the old pump can be removed and installed in the new station.

The pump contracted for and now installed in the new station has been subjected to two rigid tests under the direction of the consulting engineer.

These tests have demonstrated that the pump falls short of its guarantee by 23-10 per cent., duty guaranteed 50,000,000 feet pounds per 1,000 pounds steam, duty obtained 48,850,000 feet pounds per 1,000 pounds steam.

While this may seem a small amount it is the purpose of the commissioners to have the pump in its highest state of perfection before acceptance.

The town in the meantime, having full use of the pump, under contract with the Barr Pumping Engine Co., and being at no loss save in the annoyance caused by delay in completion of the arrangements at the new station.

The amount expended under the several contracts on the new pumping station and pump are as follows:—

| | |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|
| Amount previously reported, | \$12,933 75 |
| Ernest L. Sampson, | 4,181 64 |
| Barr Pumping Engine Co., on account, | 1,650 00 |
| Charles W. Leavitt, Jr., | 200 00 |
| L. C. Howland & Son, | 185 30 |
| Charles T. Holmes, | 124 80 |
| Ephraim D. Bartlett, | 122 18 |
| Penn. Metal Ceiling Co., | 57 60 |
| A. Griffing & Co., | 142 40 |
| Walworth Mfg. Co., | 36 78 |
| Builders Iron Foundry, | 27 02 |
| Nightingale & Childs, | 63 48 |
| Miscellaneous, | 158 15 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$19,883 10 |

During the year the commissioners have installed new pipes in the following streets, Atlantic street, 244 feet 4-inch; Castle street, 575 feet 4-inch; Sandwich street, 3,007 feet 8-inch; B. Hedges new street off Cherry street. 145 feet 2-inch; Fremont, Union and Water streets, 2,633 feet 6-inch; Savery's new street west of Standish avenue, 477 feet 4-inch; B. Hedges street east of Court street, 276 feet 4 inch; Prospect Park, east of Oak street, 338 feet 2-inch; Lathrop street, 1,146 feet 6-inch and 250 feet 4-inch. at a cost of \$9,972.04.

The commissioners would recommend that the sum of \$1,000 be appropriated by the town for the extension of the pipes in new streets.

By vote of the town, the commissioners have installed

new pipes on Lothrop street, at an expense of \$1,440.00. We would recommend that an appropriation be made to cover that amount.

In accordance with the vote of the town, acting upon the recommendation of the Committee of Fifteen regarding Article 22 of the March warrant your commissioners have installed three thousand feet of new pipe from Spring Hill to Winter street. In so doing as there was no appropriation voted at the March meeting we have incurred an indebtedness of \$4,833.81. We would recommend that notes or bonds of the town, payable in a term of years be issued by the town for the payment of the indebtedness incurred.

The State is soon to macadamize Warren avenue, from Hotel Pilgrim to Cliff street and your commissioners feel, that before this improvement is made in the surface of the street, it will be wise to install a new six-inch water main over this section of Warren avenue. To do this it will be necessary to lay 4,600 feet of pipe at an estimated cost of \$5,000. We therefore recommend that this amount be appropriated to be expended under the direction of the commissioners, and that notes or bonds be issued payable annually.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN W. CHURCHILL,
H. P. BAILEY,
CHARLES T. HOLMES,
JOHN H. DAMON.

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS.

PLYMOUTH (MASS.) WATER WORKS.

Published by request of the New England Water Works Association.

Population by census of 1900: 10,000.

Date of construction: 1855.

By whom owned: Town.

Source of supply: Great and Little South and Lout
Ponds.

Mode of supply: Gravity for low service and pumping
for high service.

PUMPING.

1. Builders of pumping machinery: Barr & Worthington.
2. Coal: (*b*) Bituminous; (*d*) Brand, various; (*e*)
\$4.90 to \$5.50 per gross ton.
4. Total fuel: Worthington (326, 890) pounds. Barr
(194,400) pounds.
5. Total water pumped: Worthington (121,212,352) gals.
Barr (81,157,764) gals.
6. Average static head: Worthington 65.
7. Average dynamic head: Worthington 73.
8. Number of gallons pumped per pound of coal: Worth-
ington 370.8; Barr 417.5.
9. Duty of pump: Worthington 23,386,577.

COST OF PUMPING FIGURED ON PUMPING
STATION EXPENSES, VIZ.: \$3,062.66.

1904.

10. Per million gallons against dynamic head into direct pipe, \$15.13.
 11. Per million gallons raised one foot high (dynamic), \$0.207.
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COST OF PUMPING FIGURED ON TOTAL
MAINTENANCE, VIZ.: \$11,899.36.

12. Per million gallons against dynamic head into direct pipe, \$58.80.
13. Per million gallons raised one foot high (dynamic), \$0.805.

FINANCIAL.

MAINTENANCE.

RECEIPTS.

A. Water rates, domestic,
 B. Water rates, manufacturing,
 Total water receipts,
 Miscellaneous,

\$26,165.32
 1,702.00

 \$27,867.32
 1,295.52

 \$29,162.89

EXPENDITURES.

AA. Management and repairs,
 BB. Interest on bonds,
 Total,
 Profit for year.

 Paid bonds,
 Carried to Construction Acc.,
 Total,

\$11,899.36
 4,730.80

 \$16,630.16
 12,532.73

 \$29,162.89

 \$8,306.66
 4,226.07

 \$12,532.73

CONSTRUCTION.

Undrawn balance,
 Profits of maintenance.
 Appropriation,
 Note issue,
 Overdrawn balance,

\$2,456.52
 4,226.07
 3,500.00
 1,440.00
 5,606.65

 \$17,299.24

Extension Mains by Commissioners,
 Extension of services,
 Expended at new station,

\$9,972.04
 307.85
 6,949.35

 \$17,229.24

\$8,306.66 paid yearly on principal.
 Bonded debt at $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.,
 $3\frac{3}{4}$ " "
 4 " "
 4 " "
 Note

\$17,000.00
 19,333.14
 79,400.00
 1,440.00

 \$117,173.14

\$158,190.27
 197,127.94

 \$355,318.21

Cost of works,
 Town appropriations
 From profits,

1905.

DISTRIBUTION.

1. Kind of pipe used: Wrought iron and cement lined; principally cement lined.
2. Sizes; From 2-inch to 20-inch.
3. Extended, 9,186 feet.
4. Discontinued, 5,707 feet.
5. Total now in use, 46 miles, 2,349 feet.
6. Cost to repair per mile, \$15.77.
7. Number of leaks per mile, 1.27.
8. Small distribution pipe, less than four inches: Total length 10 miles, 1,312 feet.
9. Hydrants added, 16; discontinued, 10.
10. Hydrants now in use, 164 public, and 35 private.
11. Stop gates added, 48; discontinued, 21.
12. Number now in use, 498.
13. Small stop gates, less than four inches, total, 134.
14. Number of blow-offs, 37.

SERVICES.

16. Kind of pipe: Lead and cement-lined.
17. From one-half inch to four-inch.
18. Extended, 671.8 feet.
20. Total now in use, 6 miles, 2,579.8 feet.
21. Service taps added, 41.
22. Number now in use, 2,151.
23. Average length of service, 16.3 feet.
24. Average cost of service, \$7.50.
27. Motors and elevators added, none.
28. Number now in use, 1 motor.

LABOR.

| | |
|--------------|------------|
| Extensions, | \$3,822 56 |
| Services, | 85 50 |
| Making pipe, | 642 50 |

| | | |
|--|----------|------------|
| Pumping station, | | 33 00 |
| Services repaired and renewed, | | 65 50 |
| Laying 10 inch and 20 inch pipe station, | | 320 00 |
| All other labor, | | 3,548 60 |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$8,517 66 |
| Received for labor, | \$750 12 | |
| Received for shut off and let on, | 84 50 | |
| | <hr/> | \$834 62 |
| | | <hr/> |
| Net cost of labor, | | \$7,683 04 |

REPORT OF THE COLLECTOR OF WATER RATES.

Gentlemen: I hereby submit the annual report of the Collector's Department of the water works for the year 1904.

The Collector is charged as follows—

| | |
|---------------------|-------------|
| Arrears | \$2,592 66 |
| Water rates, | 27,681 36 |
| Labor and material, | 1,184 69 |
| Miscellaneous, | 146 60 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$31,605 31 |

Cr.

| | |
|---------------------------------|-----------|
| Abatements, | \$475 47 |
| Uncollected labor and material, | 130 52 |
| Uncollected rates, | 1,836 43 |
| Total collections, | 29,162 89 |

Water is supplied to 2,226 families; 1,370 water closets; 595 bath tubs; 104 stores, offices and shops; 145 stables; 498 horses; 154 cows; 17 urinals; 4 cemeteries; 9, engines; 12 fish and meat markets; 1 water motor; 4 bakeries; 3 laundries; 5 banks; 8 churches; 7 manufactories; 2 photograph saloons; 4 saloons; 10 hotels and boarding houses; 3 hot houses; 2 printing offices; 5 public halls; 2 banquet rooms; 2 billiard rooms; 2 cigar manufactories; 390 hose; gas works; N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. engines; 2 electric plants; woolen mills, County buildings; public Town buildings; and watering streets.

Yours Respectfully,

N. REEVES JACKSON.

Collector of Water Rates.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the Board of Water Commissioners:—

Gentlemen: I herewith submit the annual report of the Superintendent of the Plymouth Water Works, for the year ending December 31, 1904.

Account of pipe laid for year ending December 31, 1904.

| WHERE LAID. | LENGTH IN FT. | SIZE IN INCHES. | TOTAL COST. |
|---|------------------|--------------------|----------------|
| Atlantic street extension to houses of G. F. Holmes | 244.0 | 4 | \$135 09 |
| Castle street extension to houses of John Peck | 575.0 | 4 | 346 69 |
| Sandwich street, Winter to Market, including changing | 93.0 | 4 1 | 4833 81 |
| houses and necessary connections with cross streets | 3007.0 | 8 1 | |
| B. Hedge's new street, off of Cherry street | 145.0 | 2 | 46 08 |
| Fremont, Union and Water | 2633.0 | 6 | 2584 11 |
| Savery's new street, west of Standish avenue | 477.0 | 4 | 293 58 |
| East of Court street, houses of B. Hedge | 276.5 | 4 | 164 44 |
| Prospect Park, east from Oak street | 338.2 | 2 | 128 24 |
| Lothrop street, new 6-in. H. S. and replacing 3-in. L. S. | 1146.5 | 6 1 | 1440 00 |
| under railroad with 4-in. | 250.0 | 4 1 | |
| | 9186.2 | | \$9972 04 |

SERVICE PIPES.

Forty-one new service pipes have been laid at a cost of \$307.85.

All water takers on Sandwich street, from Jabez Corner to Market street, have been changed onto the 10-inch high service or 8-inch low service pipe. One hundred and three (103) services were thus changed over at a cost of \$1,128.79 and the old main pipe was abandoned as shown by table of pipes discontinued.

Seventeen services have been renewed at a cost of \$148.63

There have been four leaks repaired in service pipes at a cost of \$9.50.

STANDPIPES.

Three new standpipes have been added this year, making a total of twenty-seven now in use or capable of being used for street sprinkling purposes.

Their location is shown on pages 118 and 119.

NEW WATER TAKERS.

There have been added through the year forty-eight families, 125 water closets, 67 bath tubs, 17 hose attachments, 2 urinals, 4 stables, 6 laundry tubs and 6 stores.

LEAKS.

The unusual severity of the winter 1903-04 increased the cost of maintenance in this department in various ways.

At the time of year when it was particularly difficult and expensive to repair leaks we were kept very busy and a total of 59 leaks have been repaired at a cost of \$733.40.

A portion of the old pipe which gave trouble last winter has been replaced the past summer with new.

The frost in some cases penetrated to a depth of from four to five feet and caused serious inconvenience to over one hundred water takers by freezing of service pipes.

It was deemed impracticable to attempt to thaw out so many services with the means at our disposal, although an unsuccessful attempt was made to thaw the service pipe of the Jordan Hospital through the kindly co-operation of Supt. Rowell of the Plymouth Electric Light Co.

Carts with water were accordingly sent to those houses deprived of their usual mode of supply.

The cost of carting water was \$294.65

In addition to the freezing of service pipes the 4-inch main pipe on Summer street, at Miss Appleton's, was frozen.

During the past summer 360 feet of this pipe was lowered at a cost of \$112.00.

Several service pipes were also lowered.

ABUTMENTS AT THE PONDS.

For the past two years the abutment at Little South Pond has been cracking and the top stones on the front have been settling out of position. It was imperative that repairs should be made before another winter passed.

This repair work was in charge of Mr. Nathan Pierce, who has rebuilt a portion of the abutment in a substantial and satisfactory manner, and there should be no necessity for further work there for several years.

The cost of the above work was \$197.37.

The abutment at Great South Pond remains in good condition.

The following distribution pipe has been discontinued:—
On Winter street, 94 feet, 2-inch.

On Lothrop street, under the railroad tracks, 225 feet, 3-inch.

On Sandwich street, from Jabez Corner to Training Green, 4,388.7 feet, 4-inch.

On Sandwich street, Training Green to Market street, 914 feet, 6-inch.

On Market street, 175 feet, 8-inch.

Total pipe discontinued, 5,796.7 feet.

GATES DISCONTINUED AND ADDED.

| ADDED. | | DISCONTINUED. | |
|---------|--------|---------------|-------|
| NUMBER. | SIZE. | NUMBER. | SIZE. |
| 6 | 2-in. | 6 | 2-in. |
| 11 | 4-in. | 2 | 3-in. |
| 19 | 6-in. | 9 | 4-in. |
| 11 | 8-in. | 3 | 6-in. |
| 1 | 14-in. | 1 | 8-in. |
| — | | — | |
| 48 | | 21 | |

HYDRANTS.

The following table shows the number of hydrants set and the number discontinued through the year, also the size of pipe which feeds the hydrant and whether on high or low service.

TABLE OF HYDRANTS SET AND DISCONTINUED,
1904.

| HYDRANTS SET. | | | HYDRANTS DISCONTINUED. | | |
|----------------|----------------------|------------------|------------------------|----------------------|------------------|
| POST OR FLUSH. | HIGH OR LOW SERV. | SIZE OF PIPE. | POST OR FLUSH. | HIGH OR LOW SERV. | SIZE OF PIPE. |
| 2 Post | Low | 8-in. | 1 Flush | High | 6-in. |
| 8 Post | High | 6-in. | 1 Post | High | 4-in. |
| 3 Post | High | 4-in. | 2 Flush | High | 4-in. |
| 3 Post | Low | 4-in. | 5 Flush | Low | 4-in. |
| 16 Total | | | 9 Total | | |

| | |
|--|-----|
| Number of public hydrants on high service, | 129 |
| Number of public hydrants on low service, | 36 |
| Number of private hydrants, | 35 |
| Total number of hydrants available, | 200 |

SCHEDULE

Showing number of feet of each size of pipe and number and size of gate.

| SIZE IN INCHES. | LENGTH OF PIPE IN FEET. | No. of gates. | No. of check valves | No. of air cocks. | No. 10-in. B. O. | No. 6-in. B. O. | No. 4-in. B. O. | No. 2-in-1-in. B. O. | No. hydrants. |
|-----------------|-------------------------|---------------|---------------------|-------------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------|---------------|
| 20 | 190 | | | 1 | | 1 | | | |
| 16 | 7,515 | 2 | | | 1 | | | | |
| 14 | 8,252.0 | 7 | 1 | 2 | | | 1 | | 2 |
| 12 | 11,203.5 | 29 | | 2 | | 2 | | | 15 |
| 10 | 34,275.0 | 54 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 3 | | | 30 |
| 8 | 7,630.7 | 23 | | | | | | 2 | 12 |
| 6 | 33,577.5 | 74 | | 5 | | | 3 | 3 | 39 |
| 4 | 88,473.8 | 175 | | 7 | | 3 | 3 | 7 | 62 |
| 3 | 9,037.0 | 17 | | | | | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| 2 | 42,750.0 | 108 | | 3 | | | | 5 | 2 |
| 1 | 1,352.0 | 7 | | | | | | | |
| 3/4 | 973.0 | 2 | | | | | | | |
| | 245,229.5 | 497 | 3 | 37 | 2 | 9 | 8 | 18 | 164 |

LOCATION OF STANDPIPES FOR STREET SPRINKLING.

1. Court Street, near Seaside line.
2. North Spooner Street, near Court.
3. Court Street, at Plymouth Cordage Co.
4. Cherry Street, near Court.
5. Centennial Street, near Court.
6. Court Street, at Thomas King's.
7. Alden Street, near Allerton.
8. Allerton Street, near the Monument.
9. Allerton Street, near Clyfton.
10. Allerton Street near Russell.
11. Vernon Street, near Court.
12. Water Street, near Chilton.

13. Water Street, near North.
14. North Street, near Court.
15. High Street, near Spring.
16. Summer Street, near Mill Lane.
17. Oak Street, near Summer.
18. South and Pleasant Streets.
19. South, near Mt. Pleasant.
20. Whiting Street, near Stevens.
21. Stevens Streets, at Sandwich.
22. Mt. Pleasant Street, near Sandwich.
23. Sandwich Street near T. E. Cornish's.
24. Warren Avenue, near I. Blackmer's.
25. Warren Avenue, near Otis Burgess'.
26. Warren Avenue, near C. I. Litchfield.
27. Warren Avenue, near Hotel Pilgrim.

Respectfully submitted,

A. E. BLACKMER.

OLD PUMP—1904.

| Months. | Hours run. | Total lbs. fuel used. | No. revolutions. | No. gallons pumped. | Av. head dynam. | No. gals. pumped with 1 lb. coal. | Average duty. | Rainfall in inches. | Average temperature. | | Daily aver. water pumped, Gallons. | Daily aver. fuel used, Pounds. |
|-----------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|---------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------------|---------------|---------------------|----------------------|-------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| | | | | | | | | | Max. | Min. | | |
| January | 243 | 40,890 | 340,700 | 16,190.034 | 73 | 395.94 | 24,105.609 | 5.44 | 28.35 | 11.74 | 522,200.1 | 1,319.03 |
| February | 208 | 45,350 | 376,100 | 17,872.212 | 73 | 369.64 | 22,594.442 | 3.61 | 29.13 | 12.79 | 616,285.2 | 1,667.24 |
| March | 229 | 55,800 | 343,400 | 16,318.368 | 73 | 391.97 | 17,775.717 | 2.47 | 40.09 | 23.9 | 525,309 | 1,802.9 |
| April | 218 | 41,740 | 315,000 | 14,968.800 | 73 | 538.62 | 21,834.405 | 9.11 | 48.93 | 33.06 | 498,960 | 1,391.33 |
| May | 220 | 41,200 | 356,600 | 16,945.632 | 73 | 411.05 | 25,022.502 | 2.23 | 70.87 | 45.74 | 546,033.2 | 1,324.03 |
| June | 88 ³ / ₄ | 17,650 | 141,500 | 6,724.080 | 73 | 380.9 | 23,189,953 | 2.58 | 98.33 | 52.1 | 611,280 | 1,604.54 |
| July | 20 ¹ / ₄ | 13,225 | 30,200 | 1,892.784 | 73 | 443.5 | 27,001.166 | 4.02 | 75.61 | 59.8 | 827,904 | 1,866.6 |
| August | 77 ³ / ₄ | 4,360 | 123,465 | 5,867.056 | 73 | 424.3 | 25,824.317 | 3.52 | 70.32 | 57.35 | 586,705.6 | 1,382.5 |
| September | 22 ³ / ₄ | 11,165 | 81,000 | 3,849.120 | 73 | 385.8 | 23,488.275 | 3.18 | 60.9 | 50.6 | 560,736 | 1,453.3 |
| October | 55 ¹ / ₂ | 35,635 | 295,000 | 14,018.400 | 73 | 393.3 | 20,992.113 | 1.85 | 55. | 39.13 | 481,140 | 1,365.6 |
| November | 20 ¹ / ₂ | 11,985 | 103,400 | 4,913.568 | 73 | 403.9 | 23,944.890 | 3.53 | 44.16 | 27.68 | 483,393.1 | 1,228.79 |
| December | 60 ³ / ₄ | 326,890 | 2,550,765 | 121,212.352 | 73 | 403.9 | 24,955.531 | 4.10 | 32.48 | 15.29 | 545,952 | 1,331.06 |
| | 1,725 ¹ / ₄ | | | | | | | 45.64 | | | | |

Av. number of gallons pumped per pound of coal. 370.8.

Av. duty for year, 23,386.577.

Av. dynamic head. 73 feet.

GEO. H. PHILLIPS, Engineer.

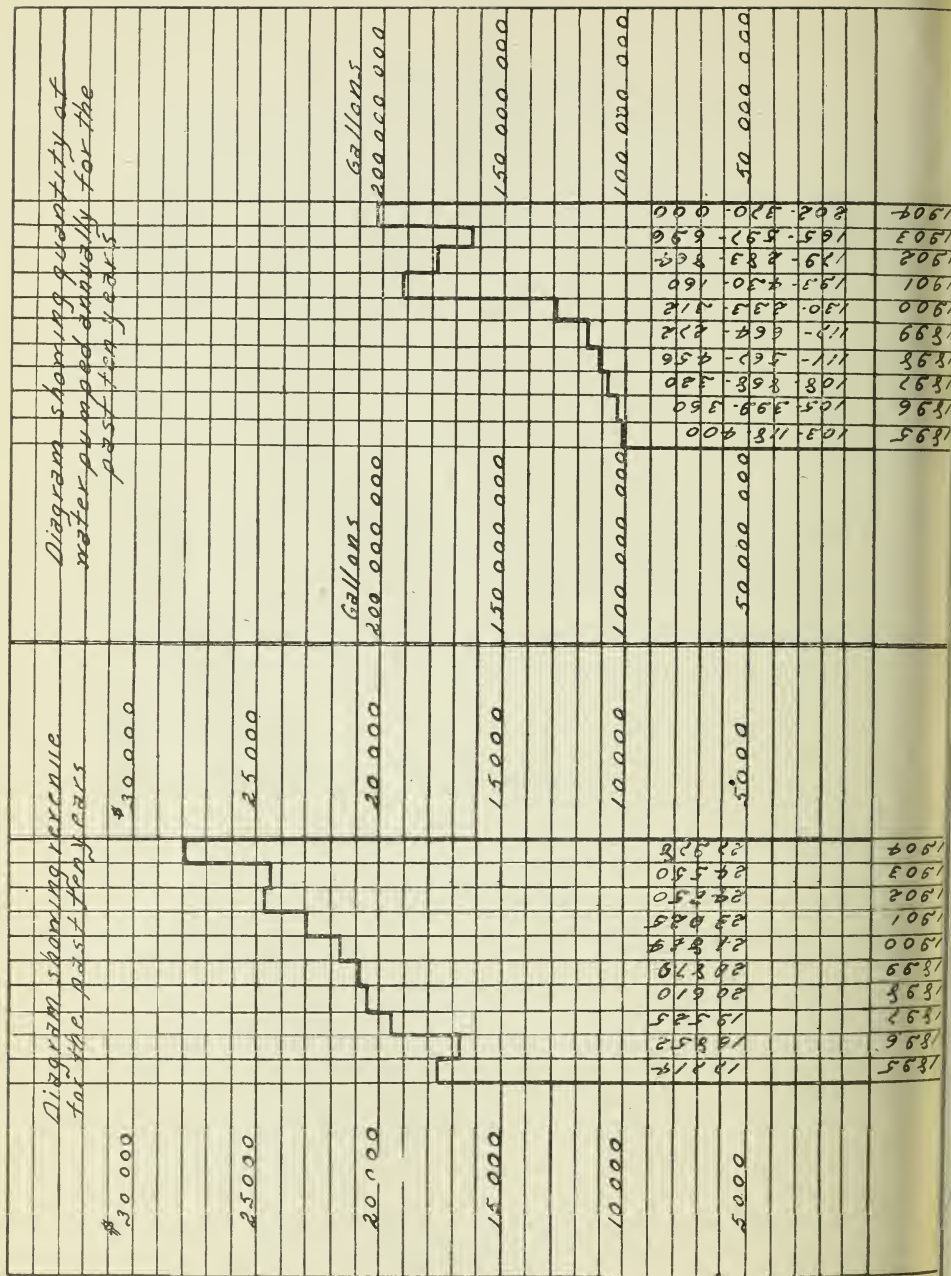
NEW PUMP—1904.

| | HOURS RUN | TOTAL FUEL | NO. REVOLUTIONS. | NO. GALLONS PUMPED. |
|---------------------|-------------------|------------|------------------|---------------------|
| June | 135 $\frac{1}{4}$ | 31,220 | 218,493 | 11,514,581 |
| July | 214 $\frac{3}{4}$ | 37,640 | 330,181 | 17,400,538 |
| August | 156 $\frac{3}{4}$ | 30,175 | 247,683 | 13,052,894 |
| September | 195 $\frac{1}{2}$ | 37,415 | 304,166 | 16,029,348 |
| October | 139 $\frac{1}{2}$ | 27,375 | 216,670 | 11,418,509 |
| November | 6 | 1,480 | 8,651 | 445,907 |
| December | 139 | 29,095 | 213,662 | 11,295,987 |
| | 986 $\frac{1}{4}$ | 194,400 | 1,539,506 | 81,157,764 |

Average number of gallons pumped per pound of coal, 417.5,
Barr pump.

| | |
|--------------------|-------------|
| Old pump, gallons, | 121,212,352 |
| New pump, gallons, | 81,157,764 |
| Total for year, | 202,370,116 |

GEORGE H. PHILLIPS, *Engineer.*



ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

School Committee

FOR THE YEAR

1904

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

| | |
|------------------------|------|
| INCREASE ROBINSON, | 1907 |
| FRANK H. PERKINS, | 1907 |
| J. HOLBROOK SHAW, | 1906 |
| WILLIAM S. KYLE, | 1906 |
| JOSEPH T. COLLINGWOOD, | 1905 |
| ELIZABETH THURBER, | 1905 |

Chairman, William S. Kyle.

Secretary, Elizabeth Thurber.

The Committee meet regularly at their rooms in Town square on the first and third Wednesdays of each month at 7 p. m.

Superintendent of Schools, FRANCIS J. HEAVENS.

Office hours, 4 to 5 p. m., each school day.

Truant Officer, A. W. HOGAN.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Finance—Messrs. Robinson and Kyle.

Repairs—Messrs. Robinson, Shaw and Collingwood.

Janitors and School House Supplies—Messrs. Perkins and Collingwood.

Heating and Ventilation—Messrs. Shaw, Kyle and Robinson.

Text Books and Course of Study—Miss Thurber and Mr. Perkins.

SCHOOL SESSIONS.

High School—8 a. m. to 1 p. m.

North Schools, Grammar and Primary—Morning session, 9 to 12 o'clock; afternoon session, 1.30 to 3.30 o'clock.

Centre Schools—Morning session, 9 to 12 o'clock; afternoon session, 2 to 4 o'clock (except from Nov. 1 to Feb. 1, when the afternoon sessions are from 1.30 to 3.30 o'clock).

The sessions of the other schools are as prescribed from time to time by the committee.

CALENDAR FOR 1904 AND 1905.

Winter term began Tuesday, Jan. 2, 1905.

Summer term begins Monday, April 3, 1905.

School year ends Friday, June 23, 1905.

Fall term begins Tuesday, Sept. 5, 1905.

Fall term ends Friday, Dec. 22, 1905.

VACATIONS.

March 25, 1905, to April 3, 1905.

June 24, 1905, to Sept. 5, 1905.

Dec. 22, 1905, to Jan. 2, 1906.

HOLIDAYS.

Every Saturday, Washington's Birthday, Patriots' Day, Memorial Day; from Wednesday noon before Thanksgiving, the remainder of the week.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

The School Committee respectfully submit to the Town their annual report for the year ending Dec. 31, 1904, to which is appended reports of the Superintendent and of the Truant Officer, as follows:—

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

Credited to department—

| | |
|--|--------------------|
| Appropriation for general school purposes, | \$41,000 00 |
| Interest Murdock fund, | 18 25 |
| Rent, Ellisville school house, | 25 00 |
| Supplies sold, | 73 75 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$41,117 00 |
| Overdraft, | 57 ² 74 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$41,689 74 |

Expenditures—

| | |
|---------------------------|-------------|
| Salaries, | \$28,935 87 |
| Fuel and light, | 3,564 87 |
| Books and supplies, | 2,362 87 |
| Repairs, | 1,971 93 |
| Janitors, | 2,869 22 |
| Truant Officer, | 101 00 |
| Transportation of pupils, | 675 26 |
| Freight and carting, | 172 71 |
| Printing, | 111 03 |
| School house sundries, | 76 44 |

| | | |
|--|--------|-------------|
| Rent (Sever street), | 130 00 | |
| Insurance renewals, High School, | 193 50 | |
| Census expenses, | 39 10 | |
| Incidentals, | 152 09 | |
| Balance heating contract, Cornish building, app'n 1903, | 333 85 | |
| | <hr/> | \$41,689 74 |

In the Committee's estimates \$2,700 was considered ample for the year's supply of fuel, but the actual outlay was \$3,564.87, the difference more than accounting for the over-draft above noted.

Summary, showing expenditures for land, new buildings, etc., covering special appropriation of \$28,000 :—

Cornish Building addition—

| | |
|--|-------------|
| Building contract, P. S. Burgess, | \$10,787 54 |
| Heating contract, Boynton Furnace Co., | 1,595 00 |
| Plumbing contract, C. T. Harris & Son, | 720 00 |
| Extras, C. T. Harris & Son, | 156 40 |
| Extras, P. S. Burgess, | 185 82 |
| L. A. Bradford, | 96 64 |
| Chas. T. Holmes, | 23 34 |
| Sundry small bills, | 32 36 |
| Architect's commission, | 677 07 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$14,274 17 |

Knapp Building addition—

| | |
|---|------------|
| Building contract, C. D. Howland, | \$8.926 00 |
| Heating contract, Boynton Fur- nace Co., | 961 00 |
| Plumbing contract, C. T. Harris & Son, | 580 00 |
| Extras, C. D. Howland, | 133 68 |
| Grading, removing soil, etc., | 110 37 |

| | | |
|-------------------------|--------|-------------|
| L. T. Robbins, | 35 60 | |
| Architect's commission, | 531 63 | |
| | <hr/> | \$11,278 28 |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$25,552 45 |

Furnishing both buildings—

| | | |
|--|------------|-------------|
| Chandler Desk Co., | \$1,275 00 | |
| J. D. Jewett & Co., | 200 50 | |
| J. B. Collingwood & Sons, | 544 29 | |
| B. O. Strong & Son, | 32 18 | |
| Gooding Bros., | 55 00 | |
| J. F. Waters, | 70 54 | |
| Sundry bills, | 14 00 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| | \$2,191 51 | |
| Insurance during construction, | 125 50 | |
| | <hr/> | \$2,317 01 |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$27,869 46 |
| Mary Barlow, land, Russell street, | | 1,500 00 |
| J. Stephan, land, rear Knapp Building, | | 500 00 |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$29,869 46 |
| Appropriation, | | 28,000 00 |
| | | <hr/> |
| Overdraft, | | \$1,869 46 |

The above-noted overdraft of the appropriation for new buildings was unavoidable and could neither have been foreseen when the appropriation was made nor obviated afterwards. It will be remembered that in its report of last year this committee asked the town for a four-room addition to the Knapp Building at the North, and a new four-room school house at the Center of the town. The Knapp

addition was voted, but opposing counsels prevailed as to the other building, and instead of adopting our recommendation, the town ordered the construction of a four-room addition to the Cornish Building, a proposition on which no plans or estimates had been made. It was assumed, and the assumption seemed reasonable, that this scheme would not cost more than the separate building proposed by this committee, and the appropriation appeared to be ample, although it proved otherwise. As work progressed, changes and additions involving extra expense became desirable and necessary in both buildings, and the unexpected need of every one of the new rooms as soon as ready, increased the estimated cost for furnishing. Extensive alterations had to be made in the old Cornish Building, and the forced transfer of the Manual Training School from the old basement to the new, made impossible the use of furnaces as originally planned; a steam system thus became necessary and its cost was practically double the estimate for heating in the plan before the town, on which plan the assumed cost of the adopted scheme was doubtless based by those who proposed it. The overdraft is, therefore, covered by necessary items of permanent advantage and value.

The High School building, while still ample for its original purpose, is not fully adequate for the needs of the ninth grade in addition thereto; indeed, it has become necessary to make use of a room never intended or adapted for school purposes, and also to partition one of the first-floor class rooms, to meet the growing need for additional room. These expedients will serve for a time but an enlargement of the building may soon have to be considered. The committee have plans in outline of a scheme proposed by the architect who designed the building, a plan which will secure abundant room without extending the present foundations or resulting in a displeasing architectural effect. This, however, is a matter which for the present, at least, must

give way to a provision for needs more immediate and urgent. Anticipating the suggestion that the ninth grade might be housed elsewhere, and the need of more room at the High School thus be obviated, we would say that the transfer to this school building has proved so marked an educational gain that, even if suitable room could be found elsewhere for this grade, though none is now available, it would, in our judgment, be a serious detriment to disconnect it from an environment of such manifest value and advantage.

As indicated in the last report, and there explained in detail, additional heating apparatus is urgently needed at the High School building, and in our judgment should be supplied before the fall term. After due consideration and expert advice we recommend the installation of a steam boiler ample in capacity to heat the large halls and the rooms now insufficiently served; with an extension of piping to the class rooms so that in spring and fall, before permanent fires are required, a small amount of steam could be circulated, instead of firing all the furnaces as heretofore, to secure the extra warmth occasionally needed. The saving in fuel at such times would soon equal the cost of this additional piping. The estimated cost of the scheme, as per plan and specifications, is \$1,800.

The time has also come when the worn out sanitariums at this building should, in regard for good health as well as economy, be replaced by modern closets connected with the sewer. The crematory furnaces are practically exhausted, and the closets, particularly on the south side, are in a foul and offensive condition. Radical and costly repairs would, therefore, be required at once if it were decided to continue in use this antiquated and faulty method of sanitation. Considering the cost this would entail, and the fact that several tons of coal are annually required to maintain the system, it is obvious that on both sanitary and economic grounds it would be far better to discard it altogether and

to replace it with simple and modern closets as suggested. The estimated cost of this change is \$700, which amount, together with that required for additional heating as above, the town is respectfully requested to appropriate.

The town has several times been reminded in reports of this department that, with the exception of the High School building, no insurance is carried upon any of its school property, and instructions have been asked if the town desired any change of policy in this matter. It was doubtless in consideration of the large amount invested that insurance was placed upon the High School. The town has never lost a school building by fire, resulting from internal cause, and with modern heating systems and competent janitors the fire peril is remote; we would remind the town, however, that the additions to the Knapp and Cornish buildings have more than doubled their former value, so that each of these school houses now represents an outlay of more than twenty thousand dollars. Whether, in view of so large an investment, it would be prudent to insure these two buildings, or to continue the policy of the past, is for the town to determine. Incidentally we would say that the rate for these buildings, if insured for eighty per cent. of their value, would be one per cent. per annum, or two per cent for three years. If insured for less than eighty per cent. of their value the annual rate would be \$1.42; the three year rate \$2.84.

The frequent loss of valuable teachers owing to the higher salaries paid elsewhere is a constant embarrassment to the committee and a very serious disadvantage and detriment to the schools. This loss, varying between one-fourth and one-half the entire teaching force annually, is doubly unfortunate because it chiefly affects the primary and intermediate grades beyond which a large proportion of our children never go, many of necessity leaving school as soon as the law allows. It is of the utmost importance that the

children whose school life is thus limited should have the benefit of experienced and successful teachers, but it is increasingly difficult to secure such teachers and impossible to retain them very long at the salaries paid in Plymouth, except in the case of those living here who, in devotion to their homes, repeatedly decline offers of better positions elsewhere. In the case of subordinate teachers in grades below the High School, our salary list is materially lower than that of towns which in general respects may fairly be compared with Plymouth; while the average salary paid in the Commonwealth to teachers in these grades is almost thirty per cent. more than paid here. This obvious disadvantage so vitally affects the welfare of our schools that quite as much in the interest of the children as in justice to faithful and efficient teachers, we are moved by an imperative sense of duty to ask the town to sanction and sustain a policy of gradually increasing salaries in the grades referred to until they conform more reasonably to the rates current throughout the Commonwealth.

On the completion of the new buildings in October adjustments of much advantage were made, crowded rooms were relieved, the temporary quarters at Sever street were abandoned, and the pupils of the Alden street school transferred without inconvenience to them, that building being closed for the present. It will doubtless be opened before the year ends, however, as will also the one vacant room in the old Cornish Building. All the rooms in the new buildings are now in use.

The September census indicated a gain for the school year of 245 children of school age, equal, practically, to five additional schools. Four teachers have recently been added to the rolls, and more will certainly be needed before many months: the new buildings require an additional outlay for care and maintenance, and the advance in some salaries, urged elsewhere in this report, which we confidently hope

the town will provide for, make a material increase in the appropriation necessary. A careful consideration of each item in the summary of school expenses indicates that \$46,000 will be required for the current year, and an appropriation of that sum, together with the special appropriation elsewhere noted in this report, is respectfully asked for.

The report of the Superintendent, which follows, contains data, deductions and suggestions of interest and value to those who are mindful of whatever concerns our public schools, and appreciative of the work of those who faithfully serve them. We commend it to the thoughtful consideration of all our citizens.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. S. KYLE,
ELIZABETH THURBER,
J. HOLBROOK SHAW,
INCREASE ROBINSON,
FRANK H. PERKINS,
JOSEPH T. COLLINGWOOD.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the School Committee of Plymouth:—

The report of the Superintendent of Schools for the year 1904 is herewith respectfully submitted. While it is not possible in any report of this kind to show clearly the gain, if any, in the quality of the work the schools are doing, yet it is possible to show whether the organization of the school forces and the increased support furnished them by the people are being used to make more efficient school work probable and natural. The latter purpose is the aim of this report.

SCHOOL CENSUS.

The School Committee is required by law to ascertain annually the number of children between the ages of five and fifteen years residing in the town on the first day of September. This census, taken in September, gave the following returns, which are compared with like returns for the year 1903:

Number of children between the ages of 5 and 15 years—

| | 1903 | 1904 |
|---------|-------|-------|
| Boys, | 837 | 906 |
| Girls, | 818 | 876 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Totals. | 1655 | 1782 |

Increase for the year, 127.

Number of children between the ages of 7 and 14 years—
the compulsory school age—

| | 1903 | 1904 |
|---------|------|------|
| Boys, | 518 | 646 |
| Girls, | 512 | 636 |
| Totals, | 1030 | 1282 |

Increase for the year, 252.

This shows an increase over last year of 127 children of school age, and of 252 children between the ages of 7 and 14 years—the age when children must, by law, be in school.

| 1905 | | 1904 |
|------|---|------|
| 1835 | Present number of pupils enrolled, Jan. 4, | 1727 |
| 24 | Number of school buildings in use, | 26 |
| 53 | Number of school rooms in use, including High School, | 49 |
| 54 | Number of teachers regularly employed, | 51 |
| 6 | High School, | 6 |
| 15 | Grammar schools, | 14 |
| 29 | Primary Schools, | 26 |
| 4 | Ungraded Schools, | 5 |
| 3 | Special teachers, one each in music, drawing and Sloyd, | 3 |
| 57 | Total, | 54 |

ATTENDANCE.

To meet the requirements of the State Board of Education the following statistics cover the period of the school year, from September to July, 1903-1904, and are compared with the same items for the preceding school year:

| | 1903.—1904. | 1902.—1903. |
|--|-------------|-------------|
| Whole number of pupils enrolled for the year. | 1,816 | 1,774 |
| Number under 7 years of age. | 354 | 325 |
| Number between 7 and 14 years. | 1,231 | 1,230 |
| Number between 14 and 15 years. | 95 | 83 |
| Number over 15 years. | 136 | 136 |
| Average membership of all the schools | — 1,867 | — 1,774 |
| Average daily attendance. | 1,663 | 1,587 |
| Per cent. of attendance. | 1,530 | 1,447 |
| Number days absence of pupils. | .92 | 91.3 |
| Number cases of tardiness. | 25,252 | 28,288 |
| Number of dismissals before close of school session. | 5,103 | 5,568 |
| Number of cases of truancy reported by teachers. | 1,967 | 1,356 |
| Number of days of teachers' absence from school. | 45 | 76 |
| Number of visits made by Superintendent. | 82 | 154 |
| | 1,084 | 948 |

The number of children enrolled in schools at the present time is 1835, with 54 teachers, who are housed in 24 school buildings, besides a small school at the Gurnet.

The figures show twice the gain in the average membership over the gain in the whole enrolment for the year, and a substantial increase in the average daily attendance gives us a slight gain in the per cent. of attendance.

The policy of keeping the schools open on every school day, no matter what the weather may be, unfavorably affects our attendance record. There are likely to be one or more days in every month when the severity of the weather makes it necessary that many pupils should remain at home, and when, in the primary schools especially, only two or three children appear. It is necessary, the school being open, that all those who fail to present themselves be marked absent. It sometimes happens that one such day in a month makes an abnormally low record for the whole period. Such a result is very discouraging to both teachers and pupils. Many communities avoid this difficulty by closing their schools on stormy days, and so making such excessive absent records unnecessary. In order that our attendance figures may reach those of our neighbors, therefore, it is necessary that our attendance shall be enough better on other than stormy days to make up the difference. There is little doubt that the policy pursued here in this matter is right, notwithstanding the handicap it brings us. Although

the conditions have been adverse during the past year, we have, nevertheless, increased our per cent. of attendance over that of the preceding year, and made our record better than the State average, both in the percentage based on the average attendance and in that based on the total enrollment.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

The items given below are based upon the expenditure for school purposes during the financial year 1904. The financial and attendance periods are not therefore identical, but since each covers a full year, the one period being only a little in advance of the other, the returns they furnish are fairly reliable.

| | | |
|-----|--|-------------|
| 1. | Assessed valuation of real and personal property in Plymouth, May 1, 1904, | \$9,365,264 |
| 2. | Per cent. of valuation expended for current expenses of schools in 1904, | .00421 |
| 3. | Expense per pupil on average membership, | \$23 69 |
| 4. | Expense per pupil on same for schools of State, 1903-1904, | \$28 81 |
| 5. | Expense per pupil on average membership on total expenditure for schools in 1903-1904, | \$25 07 |
| 6. | State average on same basis, 1903. | \$36 76 |
| 7. | Average monthly wages of men teachers in Plymouth in 1904, | \$103 00 |
| 8. | Average monthly wages paid men teachers of the State, | \$145 48 |
| 9. | Average monthly wages of women teachers in Plymouth in 1904, | \$44 30 |
| 10. | Same paid women teachers in the State, 1903-1904, | \$55 37 |

In this statement the items are based upon the average

membership of the schools, 1.663. Items 2 and 3 are based upon the whole amount (\$41,689.74) which the Committee has spent, less the cost of repairs (\$1,971.93) and new heating apparatus (\$325.60). The items which make up this amount are payments for salaries, transportation, fuel and care of schoolhouses, text-books and supplies, incidentals. The sum thus expended (\$39,392.21) is by act of the Legislature, to be regarded as the current expense of the schools, and is the sum to be certified to the State authorities as having been raised by taxation and expended "for the support of the public schools." This sum shows that during the past year the town raised by taxation, and expended for the school support of each child in the average membership (1.663) of the schools, the sum of \$23.69. The State average on the same basis was \$28.81. While the town, in the total expense for its schools (\$41,689.74), paid an average of \$25.07 for each pupil in the average membership, the State average for each child on the same basis was \$36.76.

There are 353 cities and towns in Massachusetts. During the past year there were 141 of these cities and towns which imposed upon themselves a heavier tax for the school support of each child in the average membership of their schools than that of Plymouth, and 211 that imposed upon themselves a lesser tax. There were also 249 of these same communities which paid a larger percentage of their assessed valuation for school purposes than Plymouth paid, and only 103 of them that paid less.

SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS.

The school census taken in September shows an increase over the preceding year of 127 pupils between the ages of 5 and 15, and of 252 between the ages of 7 and 14 years. Though this increase is mainly at the north part of the town, there is a substantial gain at the Center. The other

districts of the town have done little more than hold their own in numbers. Most of the children over 14 years of age are at work, especially those at the North, but for the 252 increase of those children between 7 and 14, that being the compulsory school age, school accommodations have to be provided.

The crowded conditions which existed last year in some of the schools at the North and at the Center of the town have been adequately provided for by the additions to the Knapp and Cornish Schools. The Knapp building is doubled in size and is now a school of nine rooms, all of which are in use. The following classes are accommodated there:

| | |
|-----------------|------------|
| Grade 1, | 39 pupils |
| Grade 2, | 42 pupils |
| Grade 3, | 40 pupils |
| Grade 3, | 40 pupils |
| Grade 4, | 36 pupils |
| Grade 4, | 37 pupils |
| Grade 5, | 42 pupils |
| Grade 6, | 37 pupils |
| Grades 7 and 8, | 39 pupils |
| | <hr/> |
| | 352 pupils |

These 350 pupils are most comfortably housed. The location of the Knapp School is central, and no more appropriate or convenient spot could be found upon which to build it. The lot in the rear of the school furnishes ample playground for recess and other appropriate school purposes. But it does not, and should not, furnish a place where at any time of the day or night gangs of boys and men may congregate for athletic sports and contests. It was never the intention of the School Committee to provide an athletic field. Its proximity to the school building would preclude that: and to use the playgrounds for such a purpose would render the place an intolerable nuisance to

the immediate neighborhood, and to endanger the safety of the school building.

The three other school rooms at the North have an enrolment of 42 pupils each, and cannot well accommodate any larger numbers. There being no vacant school room at the Knapp Building, the committee will find it difficult next year, under present conditions, to furnish school accommodations for the ordinary increased numbers which in that part of the town will apply.

Usually there are enough children entering school for the first time at Cold Spring to fill one room. Last September so few applied there that it seemed best, in the interest of a reasonable economy, to recommend that the children in the first grade there be distributed, some to the Knapp School and the rest to Allerton Street. This distribution was made without causing any of the children to walk an unreasonable distance. This change has left a vacant school room at Cold Spring which most likely will need to be used again next fall to accommodate the number of children in that locality which usually apply for admission in September.

The addition of four rooms to the Cornish School has made ample provision there for the present needs of the central part of the town. This building now contains eight good school rooms besides a convenient room for Sloyd work in the basement. At present seven of these rooms are being used by classes, as follows:

| | |
|----------|------------|
| Grade 2, | 43 pupils |
| Grade 3, | 42 pupils |
| Grade 5, | 46 pupils |
| Grade 5, | 46 pupils |
| Grade 6, | 42 pupils |
| Grade 6, | 43 pupils |
| Grade 7, | 33 pupils |
| | <hr/> |
| | 295 pupils |

This building, as well as the Knapp Building, is very well adapted to its purpose. It is well planned, well lighted, well ventilated and contains an effective heating plant. That the building would cost more than was estimated could not be foretold or helped, because the addition made necessary so much work on the old part. But the building is well worth all it has cost in the convenient accommodations it has provided and in the larger opportunity it gives for a better and more efficient organization of all the schools in that section of the town. Both the enlarged Cornish and Knapp Schools are fulfilling all the claims made for them when it was urged that additions be made to these buildings instead of constructing new ones on other sites.

PRIMARY SCHOOLS.

Children five years old, or who will reach that age before the end of the fourth week of school, are admitted to the primary schools during the first four weeks of the fall term only, if they have never before attended school. Children competent to enter existing classes are admitted at any time in the district where they live; if there is room; otherwise, they are sent to the nearest school where there is room.

The whole number of pupils enrolled in the schools at present is 1,835. Of this number 1,051, a little over fifty-seven per cent., are in the primary schools, grades one to four, inclusive, distributed in twenty-nine school rooms, making an average number of thirty-six pupils to each teacher. The smallest number in any primary school is eighteen, and the largest forty-nine.

There has been no time, at least during the last ten years, when the primary schools were in better condition to do effective work than at present. The increased school accommodations provided the past year have enabled us to organize the schools upon the basis of one grade to each

room, to give to each primary teacher a more reasonable number of pupils, and to make the work done in these schools more nearly suited to the needs and capacities of the children. But under the best school conditions it remains true that very many of the children who enter school at five years of age are too immature and are sent to school too irregularly to complete the first year's school work in one year. The average child would lose little by entering school at six instead of at five years of age. A comparison of data made elsewhere and covering several years makes it evident that the children entering school at five and those entering at six come together in the fourth and fifth grades. The only suitable school for children under six years is a kindergarten, or at least a school where, in the main, the principles of the kindergarten are practiced; where there is but one session, or two short sessions, each day; and where the children are not subjected to the continuous restraint and discipline of the ordinary primary school.

GRAMMAR SCHOOLS.

The grammar schools include grades 5 to 9. The number enrolled in these schools at present is 605, about 33 per cent. of the total school enrollment. They occupy 15 school rooms, making an average number of 40 pupils to each teacher.

Promotions are made in each school by the regular teacher at the end of the school year in June. In doubtful cases the Superintendent is consulted. These promotions are based on the estimate of the pupil's daily work made by the teacher, and recorded at the end of each month, in the grammar schools, on report cards sent to the parents. When conditions seem to justify it, a pupil may be promoted on trial for a month. In such a case, the parent is notified by written form of the intended conditional promotion, and the

promotion in this form is made only in case the parent gives written consent thereto. If, at the end of the probationary period, the pupil's work warrants it, the promotion is made for the rest of the year, but no pupil is expected to be retained in any class when his interests are best served by his going back to a lower one.

The opening of the new school buildings has added materially to the possibilities for increased efficiency in the grammar schools. The organization of most of these schools will now enable us to make some needed changes in the manner of doing their work. With two exceptions, no school room now contains more than one grade, and in several cases, two classes of the same grade occupy adjoining rooms. These conditions should allow us to adopt a more effective method of classification of pupils, and to provide a more flexible plan of promotion. Many children are capable of doing the nine years' work of the elementary school in a considerably less time than nine years, and would do it well in less time if the right conditions for work existed. A small class, and that divided into two or more groups, each group progressing as fast as the ability and industry of its members will allow, is a necessary and reasonable condition for work in each school room.

Then there should be some simple and natural plan whereby the individual pupil could go from one group to another, either higher or lower, at frequent intervals of time, that he may constantly find his work suited to his strength and ability. Our present method of yearly promotion inevitably makes it necessary that many a pupil should be obliged to lose time while waiting for the group or class in which he finds himself to catch up and pass on with him; or else he is urged to work beyond his endurance and ability in the vain endeavor to hold a place with others who are better endowed with strength and mental capacity than himself. Any method of promotion that is an obstacle to the pro-

gress of some and a source of discouragement to others is a seriously defective one.

A plan of promotion that is reasonable must primarily consider the needs and welfare of the individual, regarding him as the unit of consideration rather than the group or class of which he is or is to be a part. And in determining under such a plan whether a pupil shall be sent on, the question is not whether he has completed the amount of work assigned by the course of study to his group or class, nor wholly whether he can keep up with the next higher class in their most difficult exercises, but it is rather the question as to what will be the effect or influence upon him of the work of the next class, as incentive, or mental furnishing, or self reliance, or quality of interest, that should decide the matter.

Ideal conditions in these matters do not exist in many schools, because lack of funds, lack of teachers and adverse public sentiment forbid them. They do not exist in our own schools, but every change in the organization of the schools, in the course of study and in the assignment of teachers, having for their aim the securing of these conditions, is a distinct gain.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Graduates of the grammar schools are admitted to the High School by certificate. No formal examination is required, except in the case of those from other places who apply for admission. There were 38 who received certificates last June, and 35 of those receiving them entered the High School in the fall.

At present there are 181 pupils enrolled at the High School building; of these 53 are members of the Ninth grade, who in all respects, save subjects of study, are a part of the High School. This fills the seating capacity of the assembly room, and every class room is in use.

The present current expenses of the High School building are :

| | |
|---------------------|------------|
| Teachers' salaries, | \$5,550 00 |
| Janitor, | 450 00 |
| Fuel and light, | 600 00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$6,600 00 |

The present membership of the High School is 128 pupils, and six teachers. The work of the school is carried on in four courses, as follows :

| | Boys | Girls | Total |
|--------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Classical Course, | 3 | 1 | 4 |
| Science Course, | 14 | 38 | 52 |
| Literary Course, | 6 | 12 | 18 |
| Commercial Course, | 31 | 23 | 54 |
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| | 54 | 74 | 128 |

Each of the four courses named above ordinarily requires four years for its completion. The student in the Classical course sometimes needs to do an additional year's work to meet college requirements for admission. With a few restrictions such as seem necessary to prevent waste of time by injudicious or careless selection of subjects, any student for whom a full course is unnecessary or impossible may ordinarily take a special or partial course suited to his purpose. In this way, too, pupils who wish to take a full course, but who, for reasons of health are not able to do so, may make the work of each year easier by doing it more leisurely, taking five or more years to complete the regular four years' course. By such an arrangement the advantages of the school are offered to some who would otherwise be barred from them, while the number of classes and the teaching work of the school is not materially increased thereby.

It may be noted that the number of pupils taking the Classical course—the course requiring Greek—is still very small. The suggestion made last year in regard to this matter is still in point. If, on the whole, it seems advisable to allow those who are taking Greek to continue it until they have finished the course, it may be well hereafter not to offer work in that subject until there is a sufficient number desiring it to form a class of ten or more.

The Commercial course is more than holding its own in numbers and popularity. The provision made for this department by placing all the regular typewriters in a convenient part of the regular class room, has made the conditions for work much pleasanter for all who are taking that course.

The present enrollment of the High School is 128, and its average membership 123. We ought to find more boys and girls between the ages of 14 and 19 in the High School in a town of this size, and it is not wholly clear why there are no more in attendance there.

In 1895 the High School enrolled 161. In 1899 the number had fallen to 116. Since that time there has been only a slight increase in the membership of the school, although the population of the town has increased probably twenty per cent. in the same time.

The changed and changing character of the population is doubtless having much to do with this decreased attendance, in the upper grammar grades as well as in the High School. By far the larger part of those who, in late years, have made their homes here has not been of those who appreciate High School training for their children, and those of them who do appreciate it, too often find the stress of need of their children's help at home too pressing to permit them to keep their children at school after the law allows them to go to work.

The commercial instinct which appears in many parents and children and the opportunities for gratifying it, are too

strong and too many to allow the claims of the schools to have a fair consideration. Such children, if they enter the High School at all, remain there only until some place to work for wages is open to them. The immediate compensation offered them, though small, proves a greater attraction to them than the larger, though later, compensation that would at length come to them by reason of the larger earning power secured by their longer school training.

There are some others, especially boys, who, becoming indifferent to school work or impatient under school restraint, never enter the High School, or, if they do, soon drop out. And there are others who would make the High School work their apparent business but who spend most of their time, interest and energy elsewhere. The school cannot hope to do much for this class of boys unless it can reclaim their interest and reform their habits and tastes. "The school will never graduate many boys whose attendance is irregular, who are out late at night, who spend their time loafing at stores and on street corners, who have never been trained to work or to obey at home, whose bodies are enervated and minds dulled by the use of tobacco and the practice of other vicious habits and whose minds are filled with sporting news, trashy literature and other things that make for unrighteousness."

The school ought not to expect the attendance of those boys and girls above the compulsory age whose duty it evidently is to contribute to their own support or that of their homes. Neither can the school hope in all cases to combat the rampant spirit of commercialism, except as it can prove that the training it gives is the best guarantee of success to those who secure that training. Nor can it be urged that we are justified in admitting to the school or retaining in it those who do not come there for a serious purpose, whose interest, centered elsewhere, cannot be secured, and who are enrolled as members of the school only that, through their neglect of

their proper work, they may find leisure to indulge in practices and to form habits that are not conducive to their physical or moral welfare.

But aside from all these, there is a considerable number every year who ought to profit by attendance at the High School, but who are not found there. The school offers excellent advantages but it cannot do all it should for the community until it reaches all those who can profit by its help. The High School is a business investment of the community. Those of us who are in any sense responsible for managing the school owe it to the community to make the investment pay as large a dividend as possible in the number of those whom it trains for good and useful citizenship.

It might be of some practical value if the committee should investigate the whole subject of attendance in the upper grades of school and in the High School, and the work done in both—to consider anew the course of study laid down, the character of the teaching, the quality of the work done and the conditions under which it is done—to see whether it is not possible to make the work more attractive and practical, to the end that the school investment, especially in the upper grades, be made still more profitable.

The graduating exercises of the class of 1904 were held at the High School building on Thursday evening, June 22, 1904.

First Honors for Scholarship,

EDWARD R. BELCHER.

Second Honors for Scholarship,

HELEN P. LYNN.

Graduates,

Helen L. Barnes,
Susie M. Barrows,

Bessie R. Holmes,
Minot K. Holmes,

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|------------------------|---------------------|
| Edward R. Belcher, | Ruth E. Kingan, |
| Leon H. Beytes, | Helen P. Lynn, |
| Fred C. Brown, | Harry I. Mabbett, |
| Asa H. Burgess, | Ruth R. Moore, |
| Herbert McM. Carleton, | Harold W. Paty, |
| Thomas L. Cassidy, | Mabel F. Read, |
| Wm. R. P. Chandler, | Etta B. Saunders, |
| F. Roscoe Fletcher, | Gerald Shoughnessy, |
| John H. Hathaway, | Alice F. Wood, |
| Grace L. Whiting. | |

Certificates.

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| Annie O'Brien, | Ethel Weston. |
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UNGRADED SCHOOLS.

There are at present four ungraded schools with a total membership of forty-six pupils. The largest of these four schools is at Cedarville with a membership of nineteen; and the smallest at Long Pond, with a membership of five. The school at South Pond numbers only six pupils. There are only two pupils at Ellisville, and they are brought to Ship Pond at an expense of \$200 a year. This sum represents at present the main expense of the school department for transportation.

The annual cost of supporting these four ungraded schools is at the rate of about forty dollars for each pupil. It does not appear how this comparatively large expense per pupil can be lessened, or the same amount spent to better advantage in doing more efficient work there, until some way of bringing together two or more of those schools can be found. It might be possible to unite the school of five pupils at Long Pond with the school of six children at South Pond, if the school year for those districts should begin in March and extend to November, having the long vacation in the winter instead of the summer.

EVENING SCHOOLS.

The state census to be taken the coming spring will probably show that Plymouth has ten thousand or more inhabitants. In that case, the following provision of law applies here, and will make it necessary that the committee organize, and the town support evening schools.

“Any town may, and every city or town of ten thousand or more inhabitants shall, maintain annually evening schools for the instruction of persons over fourteen years of age in orthography, reading, writing, the English language and grammar, geography, arithmetic, industrial drawing, both freehand and mechanical, the history of the United States, physiology and hygiene, and good behavior. Such other subjects may be taught in such schools as the school committee consider expedient.”—Rev. Laws, Chap. 42, Sec. 11.

For some time it has seemed desirable that evening schools should be organized here; but in view of the limited amount of money available for school purposes, it has not seemed expedient to urge their establishment, especially in view of the fact that the law would soon make their establishment mandatory. Considerable expense will be incurred in providing suitable quarters for these schools and for running them after they are established. It may be well to take account of this fact in considering the necessary appropriations for the coming year.

TEACHERS.

During the past year eight teachers have resigned their positions. These positions have been filled, and four additional teachers have been appointed to new schools organized to accommodate the increased number of pupils. At present there are fifty-eight teachers in active service here. Eighteen of this number have been appointed by the commit-

tee, under the Tenure of Office Act, to serve during the pleasure of the committee.

It still continues to be difficult to find the right teachers to fill the vacancies that occur, at the salaries we are able to offer. Low salaries for teachers are found in many other communities of the State, but in few towns having the resources which Plymouth possesses, do they prevail to the extent that they do here. In a recent report, Jan. 1905, of the Secretary of the State Board of Education, the Secretary says: "The wages of women teachers are ridiculously low, so low as to repel from the service many able and enterprising young women. In Massachusetts the average monthly wages of women teachers is \$55.37. It should be noticed that this includes all the women principals of grammar schools and all college graduates teaching in High schools."

The average monthly salary of women teachers in the State during the past year was \$55.37. Within a radius of forty miles of Boston the average was doubtless much larger. Our average monthly salary for women teachers is \$44.30. For women teachers in schools below the High school our average here falls to \$40.98, making the average annual earning \$410.00.

This matter of wages is all important. Whenever a community pays its teachers comparatively low salaries, that fact operates as an almost insuperable barrier to the securing or maintaining a high degree of efficiency in its schools. Therefore, of all the important school problems needing our attention here, the problem of securing every year an appropriation sufficient to pay the teachers such salaries as will enable us to compete successfully with other communities having good schools, is the most important one needing solution. If this problem were solved and solved aright, it would in time remove many of the difficulties and annoyances which seem at present inherent in school administration.

“Higher wages would tend to secure all the elements of efficiency. Abler persons would be drawn from other employments; teachers could afford to spend longer time in preparation, and so gain in scholarship and training; they could be held longer in service and so gain experience; and they could afford to avail themselves of forms of self-culture now beyond their means, and thus grow in efficiency. Fortunately, the country at large is awakening, though slowly, to the fact that the teachers make the schools, and that in the last analysis, the success of the public school system is a matter of wages.”

IN GENERAL.

The work of the year has been done quietly, and with a fair measure of success. A larger corps of teachers, more adequate school accommodations, a few more commodious, healthful and attractive schoolrooms with their modern equipment, have made possible a more rational and more efficient organization of the schools, and have given increased opportunities for better work, which are being used to good purpose.

The spirit of the schools is good. Very few serious cases of discipline have been referred to the superintendent, and such cases become fewer each year. The spirit which animates the teaching force is most commendable. We are saved from that spirit of rivalry and jealousy which is too often found to prevent co-operation, and to dissipate the teacher's energy. The school machinery works smoothly. Little friction appears, within or without the schools, to hinder or impair good work. Continued harmony of purpose and effort on the part of the committee, the teachers and pupils, have enabled all of us to concentrate our full measure of thought and energy upon the serious work of the schools. These favorable conditions have made our

service a pleasure, and have added materially to the success of our work.

With the assurance of my appreciation of the continued good will and confidence of the committee, and of the ready co-operation and loyalty of the teachers, this report is respectfully submitted.

FRANCIS J. HEAVENS.

Superintendent of Schools.

Plymouth, Mass., Feb. 9, 1905.

LIST OF TEACHERS

IN THE SCHOOLS OF PLYMOUTH, MASS.

1904-1905.

High School.

George F. Kenney, Principal, English and Latin.
Arthur W. Belcher, mathematics and Latin.
M. Edith Winslow, Commercial Studies.
Sarah E. Ridlon, History and English.
Mary W. Cross, Science.
Myrtle C. Dickson, French and German.
Augusta M. Morton, Ninth Grade.

Spooner Street School.

GRADE.

1. Betty Alden.
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Hedge School.

1. Leella F. Barnes.
 2. Julia M. Allen.
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Allerton Street School.

1. Bertha M. Briggs.

Frederick N. Knapp School.

- 7—8. Sydney T. Northcott, principal.
 - 6. Lydia E. Holmes.
 - 5. Zelma B. Lucas.
 - 4. Kate G. Zahn.
 - 4. Maude H. Lermond.
 - 3. Georgiana Taylor.
 - 3. Mary W. Burgess.
 - 2. Annie W. Burgess.
 - 1. Elizabeth H. Sampson.
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Cold Spring School.

GRADE.

- 2. Gertrude C. Bennett.
 - 3. Mary W. Casey.
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Oak Street School.

GRADE.

- 1. Mary T. Ford.
 - 2—3. Leila E. Miller.
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Burton School.

GRADE.

- 8. Charles F. Cole, principal.
- 7. Katharine A. O'Brien.
- 4. Theresa A. Rogan.
- 4. Alice D. White.

Cornish School.

GRADE.

7. Addie L. Bartlett, principal.
 6. Bessie R. Leonard.
 6. Lillian G. Small.
 5. Georgiana Smith.
 5. Elsie V. Trask.
 3. Alice L. Gifford.
 2. Ethel Egerton.
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Mount Pleasant School.

GRADE.

- 7—8. Arthur R. Gledhill.
 - 5—6. Nancy S. Allen.
 4. Esther C. Manter.
 3. Annie M. Frost.
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Mount Pleasant District.

GRADE.

1. Ethel Reed.
 2. Frances E. Weston.
 - 1—2. Lizzie E. Mitchell.
 - 1—6. Mabel Douglass.
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Chiltonville.

GRADE.

- 6—9. Anna J. Billings.
- 1—5. Martha W. Whitmore.
- 1—5. Kate W. Sampson.
- 1—5. Mary A. Morton.

Manomet.

GRADE.

6—9. Grace L. Knight.

1—5. Lida Sherman.

Vallcrville.

UNGRADED. Grace Farrington.

Cedarville.

UNGRADED. Clara W. Mayhew.

Long Pond.

UNGRADED. Eunice Paulding.

South Pond.

UNGRADED. Grace Ellis.

MUSIC. Lottie M. Baker.

DRAWING. Marion F. Holmes.

SLOYD. Annie B. Whidden.

SCHOOL RECORD: REPORT FOR SCHOOL YEAR 1903-1904.

| Schools. | Total Enrollment for Year. | | Average Number Belonging. | Average Daily Attendance. | Per Cent. of Attendance. | Total Days' Absence. | Number Cases of Tardiness. | Number Cases of Dismissal. | No. cases of Truancy reported by teachers. | Days Teacher was Absent. | Times Teacher was Tardy. | No. visits to schools made by Supt. | No. visits by members School Com. | Visits by parents and others. |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------|---------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| | Boys. | Girls. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| High School | 72 | 65 | 126 | 122 | 96.8 | 87.1 | 190 | 124 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 42 | 0 | 1 |
| Ninth Grade | 26 | 29 | 48 | 46 | 95.8 | 407 | 94 | 32 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 115 |
| Knapp School | 112 | 107 | 205 | 189 | 92.2 | 3122 | 471 | 61 | 9 | 10 | 8 | 123 | 19 | 47 |
| North Primary School | 80 | 52 | 128 | 117 | 91.3 | 2836 | 603 | 17 | 1 | 2 | 14 | 47 | 4 | 124 |
| Cold Spring Primary School | 61 | 53 | 125 | 114 | 91.2 | 2189 | 436 | 101 | 0 | 10 | 11 | 45 | 7 | 203 |
| Burton School | 85 | 93 | 172 | 162 | 94.2 | 1370 | 542 | 278 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 264 | 10 | 92 |
| Corruth School | 117 | 103 | 200 | 191 | 95.5 | 2190 | 581 | 181 | 0 | 1 | 13 | 240 | 9 | 147 |
| Corruth Dist. Primary Schools | 90 | 93 | 169 | 153 | 90.5 | 3329 | 558 | 715 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 36 | 0 | 106 |
| Mt. Pleasant School | 103 | 106 | 173 | 164 | 91.6 | 2332 | 468 | 167 | 11 | 3 | 14 | 93 | 0 | 87 |
| Mt. Pleasant Dist. Primary Schools | 63 | 59 | 116 | 108 | 93.1 | 1990 | 200 | 52 | 3 | 15 | 7 | 61 | 2 | 29 |
| Chiltonville Schools | 55 | 49 | 91 | 80 | 87.9 | 1837 | 447 | 140 | 0 | 7 | 17 | 21 | 5 | 32 |
| Mauomet Schools | 27 | 86 | 50 | 41 | 82.0 | 1362 | 119 | 51 | 1 | 5 | 3 | 9 | 6 | 54 |
| Vallerville School | 7 | 9 | 14 | 13 | 92.9 | 214 | 69 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 8 | 0 | 0 |
| Cedarville School | 9 | 16 | 19 | 17 | 89.5 | 384 | 46 | 34 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 9 | 4 | 1 |
| South Pond School | 1 | 10 | 10 | 8 | 80.0 | 114 | 56 | 4 | 0 | 13 | 10 | 8 | 1 | 0 |
| Long Pond School | 8 | 8 | 7 | 6 | 85.7 | 422 | 223 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 9 | 1 | 7 |
| Gurnet School | 2 | 3 | 4 | 4 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Totals | 930 | 886 | 1663 | 1535 | 92.3 | 25269 | 5103 | 1967 | 45 | 78 | 143 | 1084 | 65 | 1049 |

LIST OF JURORS

Atwood, Edward W., jeweller.
Avery, Elmer E., milk dealer.
Bagen, William J., overseer.
Bailey, Frederick P., plumber.
Barnes, Alfred L., clerk.
Barnes, Joseph, carpenter.
Barlow, George F., carpenter.
Bartlett, Ephraim D., carpenter.
Bartlett, Frank D., book-keeper.
Bartlett, Fred W., tacker.
Beaman, Ralph E., undertaker.
Beaumont, Thomas C., clerk.
Bemis, Fred, clerk.
Bennett, Orrin W., stonecutter.
Bennett, Sylvanus S., carpenter.
Benson, Harry C., plumber.
Blanchard, George H., milk dealer.
Bourne, Herbert N., carpenter.
Bradford, Edward W., Jr., book-keeper.
Brewster, Isaac S., at home.
Brown, Percy L., clerk.
Brown, Walter H., foreman.
Buck, Bradford P., shoemaker.
Burgess, Ezra T., carpenter.
Burns, Alfred S., clerk.
Calloway, Fred R., clothing dealer.
Chandler, Arthur J., farmer.
Chandler, William C., stable keeper.

Chase, Walter H., grocer.
Clark, James H., foreman.
Clark, Nathaniel T., carpenter.
Clough, Edward, grocer.
Cole, Guy R., clerk.
Cole, Henry H., clothier.
Collingwood, James A., furniture dealer.
Cooper, Frank L., machinist.
Damon, John H., machinist.
Danforth, William H., insurance.
Davis, Albert E., baker.
Diman, Thomas S., carpenter.
Dorr, Eugene H., secretary.
Eaton, Charles W., at home.
Ellis, Clark, marble cutter.
Ellis, Frank W., rivet maker.
Ellis, Ziba R., farmer.
Finney, Frank S., bookkeeper.
Finney, Alfred C., teamster.
Finney, John R., conductor.
Fratius, Joseph, lunch room proprietor.
Frost, Charles T., superintendent.
Goddard, Fred A., draughtsman.
Hadaway, Augustus S., Jr., fisherman.
Haire, George F., clerk.
Harlow, Albert T., carpenter.
Harlow, Ellis W., at home.
Harmon, Clarence S., clerk.
Harney, Thomas F., plumber.
Hatch, Charles P., retired.
Heath, Willis K., bookkeeper.
Hobart, George B., bookkeeper.
Holmes, Edward C., clerk.
Holmes, Isaac B., bookkeeper.
Holmes, Lyman A., shipper.
Holmes, Stephen, farmer.
Horsman, William S., wheelwright.
Howland, Arthur L., conductor.
Howland, Edgar W., fish dealer.
Howland, George B., conductor.
Howland, Carroll D., carpenter.
Hoyt, Moses, retired.

Irwin, Walter S., overseer.
Jackson, Thomas, insurance.
Jewell, Roscoe A., farmer.
Jones, Walter A. H., engineer.
Jordan, Frank, pharmacist.
King, John F., grocer.
Kierstead, Alexander, mason.
Lacey, Arthur J., weaver.
Lahey, Jeremiah J., grocer.
Lamb, George, weaver.
Lanman, Charles W., ice dealer.
Lanman, Frank H., florist.
Lewis, Charles D., janitor.
Loring, Otto, carpenter.
Loring, Walter S., druggist.
Luther, Nathaniel C. L., machinist.
Macomber, William J., burr maker.
Manion, Thomas, grocer.
Manter, Joseph L., teamster.
Mawbey, Joseph, janitor.
Maxwell, Herbert S., pharmacist.
Maybury, Joseph A. Jr., barber.
McArdle, John F., shoe dealer.
McLean, Laughlin D., watchman.
Millington, William H., machinist.
Morissey, Herbert, insurance.
Morton, Charles S., inspector.
Morton, John L., carpenter.
Morton, William H., clerk.
Nazro, William E. C., superintendent.
Nickerson, George A., tackmaker.
Nightingale, George W., clerk.
Paulding, George B., rivet maker.
Perkins, Isaac H., mason.
Perkins, Thomas M., painter.
Pratt, William S., hack driver.
Quartz, Frank, Jr., grocer.
Raymond, Caleb R., painter.
Raymond, Benjamin F., superintendent.
Read, George F., foreman.
Ripley, Edward T., manufacturer.
Robbins, John S., grocer.

Rogan, John, contractor.
Rogers, Charles, moulder.
Sampson, Elisha B., mason.
Sampson, Ernest L., contractor.
Sampson, George J., clerk.
Sampson, Pelham, teamster.
Schubert, John C., harness maker.
Shaw, Elwood A., grocer.
Sherman, Harry O., weaver.
Simmons, Charles C., clerk.
Simmons, James H., expressman.
Smith, Charles A., news dealer.
Smith, Charles H., carpenter.
Smith, Lewis F., driver.
Stacey, Frank S., rope maker.
Stranger, Elwin N., clothier.
Strong, Charles A., dry goods.
Stuart, Harry D., cigar maker.
Sullivan, John E., plumber.
Swan, George, Jr., cordage.
Taylor, William B., janitor.
Turner, Edgar S., cordage.
Vahey, John P., manager.
Walton, Henry, overseer.
Wasson, Fred E., harness maker.
Welch, Michael D., plumber.
Weston, Edmund, cranberry culture.
Wells, Freeman E., retired.
Whiting, Pelham, pilot.
Whiting, Walter, hackman.
Whitten, Edward W., laborer.
Wilde, William E., music dealer.
Wilson, John B., upholsterer.
Woodward, George C., shipper.
Wood, George W., provisions.
Zahn, Charles, shoe dealer.

TOWN MEETING

To either of the Constables in the Town of Plymouth, in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts:

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of Plymouth, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, to meet in the Casino, in said Plymouth, on Saturday, the fourth day of March, 1905, at 6 o'clock in the forenoon, and in said Casino in said Plymouth, on Saturday, the 25th day of March, 1905, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, to act on the following articles, to wit:

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To choose all necessary town officers. The following officers to be voted for all on one ballot, viz: Five Selectmen, Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, Auditor, one member of a Board of Health for three years, one Assessor for three years, seven Constables, one Overseer of the Poor for three years, two Water Commissioners for three years, two members of the School Committee for three years, one Park Commissioner for three years, and three members of a Committee on Agawam and Halfway Pond Fishery; and to vote by ballot, "Yes" or "No," in answer to the question, "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this Town?"

The polls for the election of officers and the vote on the license question will be open at the Casino at 6 o'clock in the forenoon, on said Saturday, the 4th day of March, 1905, any may be closed at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. Both of said days will constitute the Annual Meeting, and this call

is issued in accordance with the vote of the Town, passed June 5th, 1897, as amended March 2nd, 1903, and April 2nd, 1904.

Article 3. To hear the reports of the several boards of officers and committees of the Town, and act thereon.

Article 4. To revise and accept a list of jurors prepared by the Selectmen.

Article 5. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer, under the direction of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of taxes, and for disbursement under the provisions of the law relating to State Aid and Military Aid and to defray the expenses of the Town after January 1, 1906.

Article 6. To make the necessary appropriations to defray the expenses of the Town, and for other purposes, and to raise such sums of money as the Town shall deem expedient.

Article 7. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$150.00 to pay the expenses of Memorial Day.

Article 8. To take such action as the Town may see fit in aid of the Public Library.

Article 9. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to renew any note or notes heretofore authorized, which are now due or may become due the present year, for such time, and on such terms as they may deem expedient for the interests of the Town.

Article 10. To see what appropriation the Town will make for the care and improvement of the various public parks and of Training Green.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the present balance of the Insane Poor account, and all future reimbursements to the credit of the same, to the regular Poor account.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the undrawn balance of \$42.93 from the South Street engine house to the regular Fire account.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to build an addition to the Central Fire Station, and make an appropriation therefor. (By request.)

Article 14. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to issue bonds or notes of the Town to an amount not exceeding \$18,000.00 for the purpose of raising money for an addition to the Central Fire Station. (By request.)

Article 15. To see if the Town will appropriate not exceeding \$12,000.00 for the purpose of purchasing a lot, and the erection of new buildings for the use of the Water Department.

Article 16. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to issue bonds or notes of the Town to an amount not exceeding \$12,000.00, to carry into effect such action as the Town may take under Article 15.

Article 17. To see if the Town will appropriate \$1,000 for the extension of water pipes.

Article 18. To see if the Town will appropriate \$1,440 to pay the note issued by the Selectmen for the purpose of laying water pipes on Lothrop street.

Article 19. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to issue bonds or notes of the Town to the amount of \$5,000 to pay the expense incurred in laying water pipes on Sandwich street.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to lay a new water pipe on Warren avenue from Cliff street to Hotel Pilgrim.

Article 21. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to issue bonds or notes of the Town to an amount not exceeding \$5,000, for the purpose of laying new water pipes on Warren avenue, from Cliff street to Hotel Pilgrim.

Article 22. To see what action the Town will take in regard to providing and furnishing an armory, including the purchase of land and the erection of a building thereon. (By petition.)

Article 23. To see if the Town will authorize the Select-

men to issue bonds or notes of the Town, not to exceed \$30,000 for the purpose of raising money for an armory with furnishings, including land therefor. (By petition.)

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the committee of fifteen. (By petition.)

Article 25. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to lay a sewer in the southerly end of Standish avenue to connect with the Samoset street sewer, and make an appropriation therefor. (By petition.)

Article 26. To see if the Town will define and macadam the highway at Manomet called the Bartlett road and formerly known as Holmes town road, from a point beginning at the State highway near the Grammar School house, and extending southerly to the bridge on the Manomet Cranberry Co. property on said highway, and make an appropriation for the same. (By petition.)

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to build a sewer on Newfields street, and make an appropriation therefor. (By petition.)

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to provide a hospital for contagious diseases, and make an appropriation therefor.

Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to furnish the surety bonds of the Treasurer and Collector of Taxes.

Article 30. To see what action the Town will take, if any, as regards Old Home week, and make an appropriation therefor.

Article 31. To see if the Town will provide a new school building to replace the Mt. Pleasant school house recently destroyed by fire, and make the necessary appropriation therefor.

Article 32. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to issue bonds or notes of the Town to an amount necessary to carry into effect favorable action upon Article 31.

And you are hereby required to serve this warrant in the

manner prescribed by vote of the Town, by posting notices thereof in three public places in the Town, seven days at least before the meeting, one of which postings shall be in Chiltonville, and one in Manomet Ponds, and also by publishing the Warrant in the newspapers published in Plymouth, and make return thereof with your doings thereon, at the time and place above mentioned.

Given under our hands this eighteenth day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and five.

HORACE M. SAUNDERS,
DEXTER H. CRAIG,
GEORGE W. BRADFORD,
IRA C. WARD,
NATHANIEL G. LANMAN,
Selectmen of Plymouth.

PLYMOUTH, ss.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant, the inhabitants of the Town of Plymouth, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, are hereby notified to meet at the time and place and for the purposes therein mentioned.

BENJ. F. GODDARD,
Constable of Plymouth.